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TIME-TABLE.

WEEKDAYS.

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon ...Dep.	8.40	8.05	9.10	10.00	12.00	1.15	2.15	4.35	7.15
Yuenai ...Dep.	8.49	—	9.20	10.07	12.07	1.22	—	4.43	7.23
Shatin ...Dep.	7.01	—	8.35	10.19	12.19	1.34	—	4.54	7.35
Taipei ...Dep.	7.15	—	8.48	10.32	12.32	1.47	—	5.07	7.48
Taipei Market Dep.	7.30	—	9.03	10.48	12.48	1.51	—	5.11	7.53
Fanning ...Dep.	7.45	—	9.18	11.03	13.03	2.05	—	5.21	8.02
Shuenghui ...Dep.	7.55	—	9.28	11.13	13.13	2.15	—	5.31	8.12
Shuenghui ...Arr.	7.45	8.45	10.15	10.57	12.57	2.12	2.55	5.28	8.07
Canton ...Arr.	—	—	11.50	5.38	—	—	—	—	—

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Canton ...Dep.	—	—	—	8.05	—	—	—	—	3.20
Shuenghui ...Dep.	7.18	8.05	10.34	11.09	11.37	2.38	4.41	5.49	6.24
Shuenghui ...Dep.	7.25	8.12	10.41	—	11.44	2.06	4.48	5.56	—
Fanning ...Dep.	7.30	8.18	10.48	—	11.49	2.10	4.53	6.00	—
Taipei Market Dep.	7.40	8.28	10.58	—	12.00	2.21	5.02	6.10	—
Taipei ...Dep.	7.44	8.31	11.00	—	12.06	2.26	5.07	6.15	—
Shatin ...Dep.	7.57	8.44	11.13	—	12.19	2.39	5.30	6.28	—
Shatin ...Dep.	7.57	8.44	11.13	—	12.31	2.51	5.32	6.40	—
Yuenai ...Dep.	8.11	8.58	11.28	—	12.37	2.57	5.38	6.46	—
Kowloon ...Arr.	8.17	9.04	11.31	11.49	12.37	2.57	5.38	6.46	7.04

SUNDAYS AND PUBLIC HOLIDAYS.

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CHINESE CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE IN CONVENTION.

SHANGHAI GATHERING OF MANY REPRESENTATIVES.

MERCHANTS' WHOLEHEARTED AID TO REVOLUTION.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 19th.
About three weeks ago a circular letter was sent out by the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce of Shanghai to various Chambers of Commerce in Nationalist territory proposing a convention of the Associated Chambers of Commerce for the discussion of several vital problems with which the Chamber of Commerce as an organ, devoted to commercial prosperity of the nation is confronted.

Problems To Be Faced.

- These problems are as follows:
(1) The question of a national bureau for the registration of commercial concerns and trade marks, and the question of the fees payable in connection with such registration.
(2) The question of machine-made domestic goods similar in style to goods of foreign make, and the question of taxation permitting the successful production of such goods.
(3) The question of the commercial code to be applied in view of the present combination of legislative measures enacted in Canton and other places under the Nationalist Government, and also in Peking.
(4) The question of the abolition of vexatious and mixed taxes.
(5) The question of the Chamber of Commerce in view of the proposal advanced by the Commercial Department of the Nationalist Government to lay before the next Plenary Conference of the Kuomintang the request that all Chambers of Commerce be abolished and substituted by the Merchants' Federation.

A Six Day's Session.

In response to this invitation delegates have arrived from various parts of the country, from places within the Yangtze region as well as from distant sections of the country. The number of delegates who have reported themselves has already exceeded one hundred. The convention having had its preparatory meeting on December 15th was formally opened on Saturday and will remain in session for a week or 10 days. The programme so far arranged for the period of six days from December 17th to December 22nd provides for a series of entertainments and visits of inspection, the hosts of the successive banquets of welcome being respectively the General Chamber of Commerce of Shanghai, the Shanghai City Chamber of Commerce, Chapei Chamber of Commerce, the Chinese Cotton Merchants' Association, the Shanghai Bankers' Association, the Chinese Bankers' Guild, the Associated Stock & Produce Exchanges, the Commercial Press, the Chung Hwa Book Co., and the China United Assurance Company. The tours of inspection will include visits to the Wing On Cotton Mill, the various Departments of the new Municipality of Greater Shanghai, the Cotton Merchants' Exchange, and the Commercial Press works.

The Opening Meeting.

The formal opening of the convention took place at the General Chamber of Commerce Building in North Soochow Road on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock. The total number of delegates participating at the convention exceeded 130 and no fewer than 10 provinces were represented, namely, Hupei, Anhui, Szechuan, Kiangsi, Kiangsu, Chekiang, Fukien, Kuangtung, Yunnan, and Kwangsi.

The representatives of the General Chamber of Commerce of Shanghai, Hankow, and Nanjing were nominated to preside over the function as joint chairmen, and the chair was taken by Mr. Feng

Shao Shan who declared the meeting opened. The Boy Scouts of the schools of the Cantonese Guild turned out in full strength to render assistance and the regulation of the traffic was ably handled by an adequate detachment from the Shanghai Municipal Police. Apart from the delegates themselves there were over 200 guests who came to offer their greetings to the merchant-visitors from the various provinces.

Speeches were given by some of the guests including General Chiang Kai Shek, Mr. Tai Chi Tao, Dr. H. H. Kung, Minister of Industries, Superintendent Ho, of the Maritime Customs, Mr. Chen Teh Ching, head of the Publicity Department of the Shanghai Branch of the Kuomintang, Mr. Kuo Hui Hua, representing the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Yu Hung Chun, a delegate from the Municipality of the Special District of Greater Shanghai, and others.

Trade And Politics.

In his speech of welcome and exposition of the objects of the convention Mr. Feng Shao Shan spoke substantially as follows:—
"Since March of the 2nd year of our Republic (1913) when the first national convention of the Associated Chambers of Commerce took place, conventions of this nature have been held at different intervals and in different centres for the purpose of enabling the merchant classes to meet together to discuss their problems of common interest. Many were the resolutions passed, and, as most of them had to do with the question of governmental support to give the resolutions due effect, little has been accomplished in days when the spirit of rapprochement was lacking between the people and the militaristic régime under which they lived.

"The Nationalist Government being the government of the people means the inauguration of a new era of practical optimism for the merchants who are beset with troubles which the Government is in a position to alleviate. On account of military movements and the activities of communists the merchants have been hard hit. But since the political situation affects the trader at every turn, the merchants could not see any other course for assuring themselves of a new epoch of reconstruction in the field of commerce than to aid wholeheartedly the revolutionary movement so that national reunification and rehabilitation may be brought about with the least possible delay. The merchants have by no means forgotten that they would be of little use to society were it not for the work of the farming and industrial population. They are therefore equally concerned over the welfare of the masses. The present convention seeks two things: alleviation of the sufferings of the business men and the success of the revolutionary campaign of the Nationalist Government."

Speech By Chiang Kai Shek.

In the course of his address General Chiang Kai Shek drew attention to the fact that the military activities of the Nationalist Government in connection with the punitive expedition and the revolutionary movement as a whole were to a considerable extent responsible for the lack of adequate support to the merchants in helping them to solve their many complex problems. He was confident that if the merchants would pin their faith on the Nationalist Government they would have no need to worry over the prospects of their reconstructions which he assured them would be sympathetically considered and energetically enforced. He expressed the hope that the military period of the Kuomintang nation-building programme would soon end so that with all energies directed to reconstructive things the Government would be in a better position to come to the aid of the people.—
North China Daily News.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

Today.

St. John the Apostle and Evangelist.
Public Holiday.
Gold: Christmas Meeting, Fanning.
Fanning Hunt: Meet at Sheung Shui Police Station, 10 a.m.
Cricket: H.K.C.C. v. Army (second day); University v. Queen's Regt.; Craigengower C.C. v. H.K. Electric Co.
Football: Sunday Herald Charity Cup Competition: South China v. England, H.K.F.C. ground, 2.45 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 4.30-6.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Kid Brother."
World Theatre: "Tin Hats."
Star Theatre: "The Lucky Lady."
Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe via Marseilles, etc. (Patrol), 10.30 a.m.; Canada, America, etc., Europe via Victoria, B.C. and via Siberia. (President Taft), noon.

Wednesday.

Sanitary Board Meeting, 4.15 p.m.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 4.30-6.30 p.m.
Hockey: Club 1st XI. v. 5/2nd Punjabis, U.S.R.C., 4.45 p.m.
Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.
St. Peter's Young Men's Club dance, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 8.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Kid Brother."
World Theatre: "Tin Hats."
Star Theatre: "The Lucky Lady."

Thursday.

Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Hockey: Club "A" v. Club de Recreio, King's Park, 5 p.m.
Cafe Regent dinner dance, 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Resurrection."
World Theatre: "Aloma of the South Seas."
Star Theatre: "Paddocked."
Principal Mails:—Outward: Australia, New Zealand, etc. (St. Albans), 2.30 p.m.; Europe via Siberia (Suifu), 5 p.m.

Saturday.

New Year's Eve.
Gold: New Year Meeting, Fanning.
Annual Children's Sports at Police Recreation Club.
Cricket:—Division II: University 2nd XI. v. Police R.C.; Civil Service C.C. v. Tamar.
Friendly Cricket:—H.K.C.C. v. Navy (first day); Kowloon C.C. v. Civil Service C.C.; K.C.C. v. Army; Club de Recreio v. K.C.C. 2nd XI.
Football:—Annual Charity Match: Royal Navy v. Army, Soekunpo, 4 p.m.
Yachting: Reserved for Basal or other race if necessary of racing yachts.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30 p.m.; Cafe Regent, 4.30-6.30 p.m.
Hong Kong Hotel special dinner dance.
Repulse Bay Hotel New Year's Eve Carnival.
Cafe Regent and King Edward Hotel dinner dances, 8 p.m.
President's Dance at Craigengower Cricket Club.
New Year's Eve: Fancy Dress Dance at Peak Club, 9.30 p.m. to 1 a.m.
Queen's Theatre: "Resurrection."
World Theatre: "Aloma of the South Seas."
Star Theatre: "Paddocked."
Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe via Negapatam (Delta), Outward: Europe via Marseilles, etc. (Hakusan Maru), 9.30 a.m.

Sunday.
New Year's Day.
Gold: New Year Meeting, Fanning.

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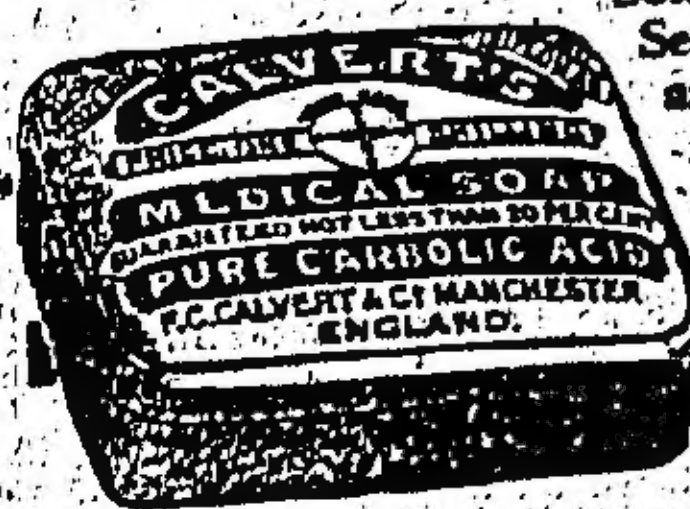
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THE MAN OF MYSTERY.

COL. LAWRENCE OF ARABIA.

"HE HARDLY EATS."

In the course of his fascinating book "Lawrence and the Arabs," Mr. Robert Graves, one of the most individual of modern poets and an able critic, declares that he "has tried to give a picture of an exasperatingly complex personality," and certainly he has succeeded in showing how complex a man Colonel T. E. Lawrence—or Aircraftsman T. E. Shaw, as he should now be called—was. But whether he makes his subject more comprehensible than he was before is open to doubt. Certainly, however, one does the book with a clear perception that Colonel Lawrence is an extraordinary man, whose wonderful achievements in the war in Arabia were the result not of a fluke but of a remarkable personality.

Mr. Graves gives various descriptions of Lawrence's appearance as seen by different types of people:

Here are a few first impressions of Lawrence difficult to reconcile: "That commonplace looking little man" (a poet). "Face and figure of a Circassian dancing-girl" (an American journalist-lecturer). "A little man with a red face like a butcher" (Royal Tank Corps). "Face like a cheap writing-pad; a proper swede-looking (i.e., lumpy) chap" (Royal Air Force). "A comical little x" (Royal Tank Corps). "A young man of considerable physical beauty; it is the sober truth that I have not seen such burnished gold hair before or since, nor such intensely blue eyes" (a visitor at Caracemish). "A very quiet, sedate manner, a fine head but insignificant body" (a major of the Camel Corps).

Eats Seldom—And Alone.

He is apparently a man of very eccentric habits. For example:

He avoids eating with other people. Regular mealtimes are not to his liking. He hates waiting more than two minutes for a meal or spending more than five minutes on a meal. That is why he lives mainly on bread and butter. And he likes water better than any other drink. It is his opinion that feeding is a very intimate performance and should be done in a small room behind locked doors. He eats, when he does eat, which is seldom, in a casual abstracted way. He came to visit me one breakfast-time on his racing motor-bicycle; he had come about 300 miles in five hours. He would eat no breakfast. I asked later what the food was like in the camp. "I seldom eat it," he said. "I am now a storeman in the quarter-master's stores, so I don't need much." "When did you last have a meal?" I asked. "On Wednesday." Since when apparently he had some chocolate, an orange, and a cup of tea. This was Saturday.

Also, as might be expected, he is no respecter of conventions:

Lawrence, shortly after the war ended, was invited to attend the reception after a society wedding. He went (a man he liked was being married) in company with a young diplomatic attaché who was much impressed by the occasion. "What name, gentlemen?" asked the flunkey at the door. Lawrence saw his companion pulling himself together for an impressive entrance and the spirit of mischief overcame him. "Messrs. Lenin and Trotsky," he said quickly. And "Mr. Lenin, Mr. Trotsky!" the flunkey bawled out mechanically to the scandalised assembly; which, indeed, included royalty.

He remains an enigma to everybody because no one really knows more than one tiny side of his character. "To each friend he reveals in fact some part of himself, but only a part. . . . He has no intimates to whom the whole might be shown."

Wangle In The Cipher Book.

A curious story is told of his dealing with the late Lord Curzon. After the war he was sent by the Government to negotiate with the Arabs:

Lawrence sent a cipher cable to Lord Curzon, the Foreign Minister. "Can do nothing with Hussein. Are you fed up or shall I carry on with Abdullah?" Curzon, who was a stickler for the diplomatic phrasing of official despatches, asked his secretary: "Pray, what does this term 'fed up' signify?" The secretary, who had a sense of humour, replied, "I believe, my lord, that it is equivalent to 'disgruntled.'" "Ah," said Curzon, "I supposed that is a term in use among the middle classes." When "carry on" had also been explained, Curzon gave consent to the Abdullah negotiations. Meanwhile the secretary, a friend, had told him in a private letter, of the "fed-up" episode. So Lawrence, having successfully concluded his negotiations with Abdullah, again cabled to Curzon in cipher: "Have wangled things with Abdullah. Details (Continued on next column.)"

BOKHARA AND THE BOLSHEVIKS.

THE EMIR'S GREAT WEALTH.

STORY OF SOVIET INTRIGUE.

Lieutenant-Col. P. T. Etherton, formerly British Consul-General and Political Resident in Turkestan, writes: A remarkable story, unknown to the world at large, lies behind the announcement that the Emir of Bokhara has despatched an envoy to Geneva with a full statement to be laid before the League of Nations regarding the tragic situation of his State under Bolshevik Government.

The Bokharan ruler, Sayid Mir Alam Khan, who is about 48, was a major-general in the old Russian army and an aide-de-camp to the Czar. He was a welcome figure at Petrograd in pre-war days, and ruled his people on patriarchal but just lines.

Bokhara, the land of fair women and beautiful carpets, was the largest and richest native State in Turkestan until the Bolsheviks descended upon it in August 1920. I knew that the young Bokharan Party organised and financed by the Bolsheviks was preparing to hand over the State to the latter, although the Soviet did not come in openly at this stage, as such action would have given their claim as "emancipators of the East" an entirely false aspect. They therefore arranged for the Young Bokharan party to deliver the opening blow, and then joined in on a pre-arranged request being made by the revolutionaries for aid against the tyrannical Emir. What was the motive?

Jewels Without Equal.

The Emir of Bokhara was one of the richest men in Asia, and his collection of jewels and precious stones was probably without an equal in the world. His wealth totalled approximately thirty-five million pounds sterling in gold and silver coins and ingots, apart from the jewellery. He had already offered to confide it to our care, realising that the Bolsheviks were after it and such a prize for the advancement of their campaign for world revolution. Moreover, he offered his State to us to be incorporated unconditionally within the Empire.

For several practical reasons we were unable to do as he wished, but the offer was a remarkable testimony to British probity and proved how high our credit stood even in the remote heart of Asia. The sequel to it is that the Bolsheviks hastened their descent upon Bokhara and bagged the loot they were after.

The treasure was kept in the vaults of the palace at Bokhara, this inner or royal city being known as the Ark. The gates were opened at daylight and closed at sundown, and huge door-keepers, reminiscent of those in the Arabian Nights, kept watch during the hours of darkness. The Emir was a methodical man, and the treasury was under his personal supervision, as well guarded as a jeweller's strong-room.

Bolshevik Bribery.

When the Bolsheviks descended in the night, bribery on a large scale had done its work and the attack was a surprise. The Emir was warned in the nick of time, and he was actually passing the main gateway disguised as a carter when the vanguard of the Bolshevik levies rushed in. The Reds were assisted by an aeroplane, which terrified the people, for the vast majority had never even heard of such a thing.

After apprising me of the crash, the Emir made his way into Afghanistan, and is at present living just outside Kabul, the Afghan ruler having placed a house at his disposal. The Bolsheviks deported two of the Bokharan Emir's sons to Moscow, where they are being "educated," and more graduates from the propaganda school at Tashkent in Turkestan, have recently gone forth to spread the new gospel of Bolshevism among the tribes and races between Bokhara and the Indian frontier. Special attention is to be paid to India as a counter-stroke to the failure of Soviet designs in the Yangtze Valley.

follow by letter. Note, the necessary verb 'wangle' is absent from the diplomatic cipher. I submit that a letter-group is allotted to it to save spelling it each time. The word is now in the cipher book.

Future Plans.

Colonel Lawrence's future plans are summarised by Mr. Graves as follows:

"His future plans are simply to stay out here full time in the Royal Air Force, and afterwards to settle down quietly in some room in London, 'the only possible place to live in permanently,' with a country cottage somewhere for his occasional retreat, and a pair of mechanically driven wheels to tie the two bedrooms together. But whether he will succeed in settling down quietly is another question. Mr. Winston Churchill's short summary of Lawrence is a very penetrating one: 'A rare beast; will not breed in captivity.'"

COLONY'S FINANCES.

STATEMENT FOR SEPTEMBER.

MORE REVENUE THIS YEAR THAN LAST YEAR.

The balance of assets over liabilities on August 31st was \$4,273,185.69. By the end of September this balance had been increased to \$4,781,529.00, the revenue for the month being \$1,904,386.34 against an expenditure of \$1,426,063.97.

The revenue of the Colony for the year up to the end of September was \$15,180,780.78, as against \$14,269,901.01 for the same period in the preceding year.

The expenditure up to the end of September was \$13,885,502.28, against \$13,184,778.13 for the same period of 1926.

ARE THERE ANY LETTERS FOR YOU?

UNCLAIMED CORRESPONDENCE, ETC.

AWAITING AT THE GENERAL POST OFFICE.

A General Post Office notification of Saturday's date gives the following particulars regarding unclaimed correspondence, etc. awaiting at the G.P.O.:

Dr. E. A. Aylward, G. Alie, E. Bruner, Mr. Jack Blake, H. Beaberg, Y. Costan, A. G. Corbin (Master Mariner), Mr. E. J. Douglas, Colonel H. S. Eliot, H. M. Epstein, R. F. Felton, Mr. Felikobsky, B. Grum & Co., C. F. Gwilt, R. H. Hawkins, Mrs. King, Kwok Su, R. F. Lazarus, J. A. Lyman, Mrs. H. Linde, Vander (Salvation Army), Maurice Littleboy, Mr. and Mrs. R. Lang, Colvin Lee, W. M. Muench, H. R. Meyer, Mrs. M. Moffatt, Mrs. Helen Duff Cochran, Nicholson, A. F. Oliver, A. Petroff, M. M. Rames, R. Sdruffa, W. Shakespeare, Miss E. Stieglitz, Charles Trimm, R. Thomson, Mr. B. E. A. Van, K. G. Ved, W. C. Watson, E. P. Williams.

Unpaid Correspondence.

C. Elkus (H.K. Hotel), W. S. Leonard (H.K. Hotel), T. E. Lawrence, Mrs. John Macroe (H.K. Hotel), W. K. Smith (H.K. Hotel).

Registered Articles.

J. Del. C. Aldegre, Mrs. Hobart Allan, R. Blum, A. E. Chapman (c/o American Consulate), Chong Tuck Wing (Eliot Hall, University), C. C. Deacon (1 Mrs. letter), Mrs. M. B. Draper (c/o American Consulate), Mrs. M. Katzinger, Kwok Su, Northern S.S. Co., S. W. K. Popper, Raphael Bros. & Co., F. Russo.

Parcel.

Miss Leung Shit Ying.

Unclaimed Radio Telegrams.

Widgeon, Portland Ore; Yong-wosang, s.s. *Sunning*; Fookonyuen, Amoy; Oncha, Empress of Asia; Wingahing, Batavia; Anchoaylie, Balikpapan; Pangsingto, Kwong-chewan; Kananginko, Saigon; Truster, Seattle, Wash.; Tanglong, Bangkok; Wapaut, Bangkok; Pengloongchiang, Bangkok; Honour, Medan; Honour, Batavia; Linklock, Chicago; Yarrow, Manila; Tanglong, Bangkok; Allan, Chief Iscomen, President, Pierce, San Francisco; Kwickuck, Lake-worth Fla.; Yatinoda, Cheribon; Winguen, Padang, Sumatra; Chungpon Utopia, Jacksonville Fla.; Namsinb, Semarang; Namsinb, Semarang.

NAVAL DOCKYARD DEVELOPMENT AT MACAO.

An important development is expected in Macao in connection with the new port, namely the extension of the workshops in the Macao Naval Dockyard and their probable removal to the new port.

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Hong Kong, 14th December, 1927.

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CATHEDRAL CHAPLAIN'S FAREWELL SERMON.

THE RECORD OF FIFTEEN YEARS.

THREE HUNDRED AND TEN MARRIAGES.

REV. H. COPLEY MOYLE'S APPEAL ON BEHALF OF HIS SUCCESSOR.

There was a crowded congregation at St. John's Cathedral on Sunday morning when the Rev. H. Copley Moyle, who is leaving by the *Hakusan Maru* on New Year's eve, preached his farewell sermon.

"As I look back over the last fifteen years," he said, "I feel really thankful that the relations between this Cathedral and other Christian Churches in the Colony have been of the most friendly character."

A strong appeal was made on behalf of his successor. "Two things stand out very clearly in my memory of my first Sunday in Hong Kong," remarked the preacher. "One was the strangeness of preaching with pews being pulled all over the Cathedral, and the other was the appalling array of empty pews which confronted me. It is not a cheering spectacle to see empty seats, and I do appeal to everyone here this morning to come to the Church on this day fortnight to make my successor feel that the Church people of Hong Kong do take a real interest in their Church."

During his fifteen years' service at the Cathedral Mr. Moyle mentioned that he had married 310 couples and had prepared 130 people for confirmation.

The Chaplain took as his text the words from St. Luke II. 14. "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace." Our thoughts, he said, go back to Bethlehem and the wonderful birth which took place there over 1,900 years ago. It was a busy time in the little town. From far and near the descendants of King David were assembling to be enrolled. The usual method of taking a census in the Roman Empire was to count people where they lived as we do now, but the Jewish custom was to count people according to their tribes and families and King Herod, while carrying out the imperial decree, wisely conformed to the national custom. So Joseph and the Blessed Virgin Mary went from Nazareth to be counted amongst the descendants of the royal house. "And so it was that while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered and she brought forth her first born son," in accordance with the promise given by the angel.

"The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee and the power of the highest shall overshadow thee; therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the son of God." It was fitting that the birth of the Saviour should be unusual. God was taking human nature that He might bring into the world a new power. It was a new start for the human race. Jesus was to be King of a Kingdom which should spread and grow and last for ever. The power which all lack in ourselves is available for each one of us through the Christ child of Bethlehem. We are members of that Kingdom, and the truth of Christianity is to be proved, not in the studies of learned scholars or by the researches of University professors, useful and necessary as those things are, but the truth of the Christian faith is shown in the lives of Christian men and women who show to the world the force of holiness and humility and love. It is in the power of each one of us to give evidence of the truth of our belief by our lives, and, alas, it is also in our power to give the strongest reputation of the Christian faith by our sins and selfishness.

Worldly Wealth.

It was surely meant to teach us a lesson that Christ was born in poverty and not in the luxurious surroundings of a palace. We are inclined to put an altogether false value on the possession of worldly wealth. Money gives power but it is apt to give those who have it a material rather than a spiritual outlook. That Almighty God selected to be born in poverty is a lasting rebuke to all who allow money and the accumulation of wealth to occupy too great a part of their life and thought. "The love of money is a root of all kinds of evil" and as we stand to-day in thought beside the manger of Bethlehem we do well to ask ourselves whether we have allowed money to usurp God's place in our thoughts and in our lives.

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace." At Christmas we think of the new power which has come to the human race we must see to it that we clear away all that hinders peace in our lives. To-day is the time for healing feuds and ending quarrels. Is there any one with whom you have quarrelled? Anyone against whom you cherish anger and hatred? Let the Spirit of Christ so take possession of your heart that all angry feelings are wiped out and all resentment is banished. Make up your quarrel, if you have one, before the day is out. Do not be too proud to make a risk of a rebuff. We must, each one of us, cherish peace if we would have the real Spirit of Christmas. Where quarrelling and strife and envy are found there can be no Christmas peace. One of the promises which a man makes, when he is ordained priest in the Church of England is, "to maintain and set forwards, as much as heeth in him"

quietness peace and love among all Christian people."

Cathedral and other Christian Churches.

If that promise is necessary in England it is even more important here where we are watched by many who are not Christians. There can be few things worse for Christianity than quarrels among Christians, and to-day as I look back over the last fifteen years I feel really thankful that the relations between this Cathedral and other Christian Churches in the Colony have been of the most friendly character. And we have on the whole had a fairly peaceful time amongst ourselves as a congregation. There have been times when we have had to fight for what we believed to be the law of the Church but those occasions have been few, and on the whole the last fifteen years here have been fairly peaceful, and for that we may glorify God. During my time here it has been my privilege to marry three hundred and ten couples. They are now scattered all over the world. During the last few days I have had letters from people I have married, and in these days when divorces are increasing in number I am very thankful that as far as I know, no one whom I have married has been divorced. I say as far as I know, for it has not been possible to keep in touch with all whom I have married. For many years past I have made it a rule to ask all those whom I marry to pray together every day of their lives if possible, and to-day I would appeal to all those whom I have married to continue that custom and if by any chance they have given up the practice I would earnestly appeal to them to recommence it. The little quarrels which might grow into serious causes of disagreement will pass away if husband and wife join in prayer before they go to bed, and the influence of family prayers on the children is very great indeed, provided of course that they see their parents' lives reflect their prayers.

Confirmations.

During the time I have been here I have prepared 130 people for confirmation and several of them are no doubt present here this morning though many are now in far distant countries and some have passed to the rest of Paradise. I have always tried to impress on candidates for confirmation that when they are confirmed they give themselves to Jesus Christ. The Bishop asks them if they renew their baptismal promises made by their god parents and they reply "I do" and those two short words are a dedication of themselves to Jesus Christ. This morning I would say to all who have been confirmed either here or elsewhere, give yourselves anew to Jesus to-day. On His birthday give yourself anew to Him as a real living present. The Christian life is a series of frequent new starts and constantly renewed efforts. It needs perseverance; you cannot stroll into Heaven without effort. But by persistently starting again after every failure we may hope eventually to hear the Master's welcome words "Well done good and faithful servant, enter thou into the Joy of thy Lord."

First Impressions.

Two things stand out very clearly in my memory of my first Sunday in Hong Kong. One was the strangeness of preaching with pews being pulled all over the Cathedral, and the other was the appalling array of empty pews which confronted me. It is not a cheering spectacle to see empty seats and I do appeal to everyone here this morning to come to church on this day fortnight to make my successor feel that the church people of Hong Kong do take a real interest in their church. You all know the value of first impressions. How many people seeing Hong Kong first on a beautifully sunny winter's day have fallen in love with its beauty and have never ceased to love the place, while others seeing it first on a dull foggy day have never liked it. Do come to church on Mr. Swann's first Sunday and do not let him have the chilling feeling caused by empty benches. And let me ask you to pray that he may have grace and wisdom and courage for the work which lies before him. It is easy to criticize a man but it is more useful to pray for him. The jury ought to pray for their clergy. I have always tried to pray for each member of the church here twice every month, and I have relied much on the prayers which I know many have offered for the Colony and for the clergy. "And now brethren I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified," and I wish you all a merry Christmas and a New Year full of blessings.

(Continued on next Column.)

ONCE TOO OFTEN.

PAWNING "DUD" GOLD.

A Chinese who had on a previous occasion succeeded in victimising a pawnbroker at Temple Street, Yau-mat, by palming off a "dud" gold bangle for \$30, was taught the lesson of the pitcher going to the well once too often.

On Christmas Day, he suavely handed over the grille another pair of bangles and asked for \$30. With a bland smile the pawnbroker said he would advance the money.

However he then told the man to wait, as he would have to get some money from a money exchange shop. The man waited and in a few minutes, the pawnbroker returned, not with the money, but with a policeman.

At the police station, a search was made, and two more of the same sort of goods were found in his possession.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, the man admitted his guilt and his Worship sent him to gaol for three months. The three pairs of bangles were given to the pawnbroker.

TO HELP PAUPER CHILDREN.

NEW SECTION OF ST. LOUIS INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

A School of Arts and Trades is to be opened in Hong Kong with the object of training orphans and poor children so that they may learn a trade. The venture is being run in connection with the St. Louis Industrial School, 179, Third Street, West Point, and Mr. V. Bernardini, the Superior, has issued the following circular:—

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As the work entails heavy expense, we feel confident that you will help us by your charitable assistance. We need funds for the proper equipment of the different workshops, and for the maintenance of the orphans.

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MACAO'S PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION.

MACAO, Dec. 19th.

The Organising Committee of the Macao Photographic and Art Exhibition and Contest are working hard to make the affair a real success. The opening date is January 2nd, but the last day on which entries will be received for competition is December 30th.

Already pictures are coming in from all parts of the East. Singapore, Manila, Japan, Shanghai, and Hong Kong, and there is a big local entry.

A number of special prizes have been offered by local institutions and gentlemen.

A number of old pictures and sketches have been received from Hong Kong, but it is hoped that others in possession of such pictures will be kind enough to show them, and as the authorities undertake to ensure all pictures against loss, owners of such pictures will be greatly obliging the public.

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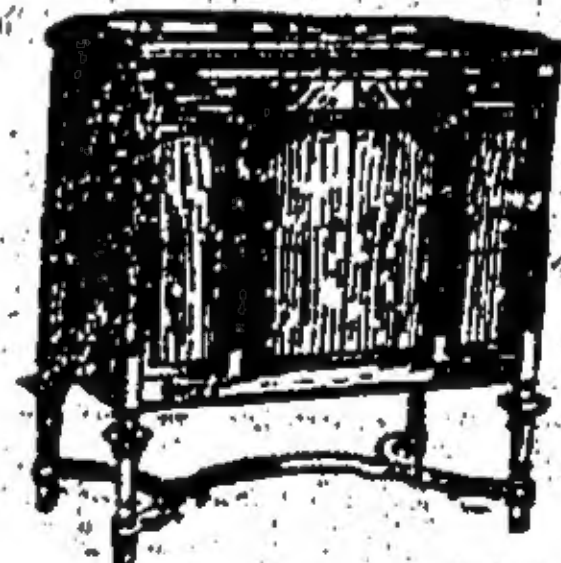


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CHRISTMAS IN HONG KONG.

GOOD HOLIDAY WEATHER.

SPORTS, DANCES AND PARTIES.

Christmas has come and gone once more. The weather this year was not so reasonable as last Yuletide, when there was a sharp nip in the air. At home it would have been called "mild to muggy" but the great thing was that it remained dry and was admirably suitable for the many sports fixtures over the week-end.

The hotels, clubs, restaurants and cafes were all gaily decorated for Yuletide, flags, paper festoons, greenery and at night time a blaze of coloured lights were to be seen everywhere. Hotels and restaurants vied with each other in this matter of decoration, with the result that all of them had a welcoming and cosy atmosphere.

The various shops and stores were all highly decorated, and toys and other gifts had been considerably depleted by the time Christmas Eve came around.

Special dances and menus were provided at the Hong Kong Hotel, Repulse Bay Hotel, King Edward Hotel, the Savoy, Kowloon Hotel, Cafe Regent, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, and other places, and everything possible was done by the respective managements to cater for the enjoyment of their patrons. All the dances organised were well attended. Many private parties were also centres of festivity especially on Christmas Eve.

The Mails.
The Home Christmas mail arrived on Saturday morning by the *Devenish* and by working at full pressure, the very large consignment of letters was ready by 11 a.m. for collection and delivery, while parcels were obtainable by Sunday, notifications being sent out on Saturday by the special staff retained on duty for this purpose. In addition there were inward mails from the United States and Canadian and the *President McKinley*, arriving yesterday.

At The Churches.
As usual all Churches in the Colony were beautifully decorated. All services on Sunday were well attended, especially the morning services, and early celebration of Holy Communion.

At St. John's Cathedral, the Rev. H. Copley Moyle preached his farewell sermon at the morning service on Christmas Day, while the Rev. W. R. Cannell was in the pulpit at the evening service. There were three celebrations of Holy Communion, and the Cathedral was choicely decorated. Carol singing was a feature of the evening service.

Christmas carols were also sung at both the Union Churches, and at the Kowloon Church there was a special offering of toys by children for the sick and poor. The carol service in the evening was very greatly enjoyed.

The Army and Navy.
Christmas Day is always a great festival for the Navy and the Army. Discipline was considerably relaxed and everyone devoted the day to enjoyment in the traditional English manner. Warships in port had their wardrooms and messes gaily decorated, and at the barracks, both on the Hong Kong side where the Borderers are housed, and on the Peninsula, where the Scots Guards, the Queen's Regiment and the Royal Air Force are quartered, everything was thoroughly festive.

At The Hotels.
The special carnivals at the Hong Hotel, Repulse Bay Hotel and Lane, Crawford's Restaurant on Christmas Eve and last night were all well attended. In fact there was hardly sufficient accommodation, despite special arrangements. The "real old fashioned Christmas dinner" at Messrs. Lane, Crawford's Restaurant was a great success. At this place last night there was a dinner-dance until 1 a.m. with the full Queen's Theatre Orchestra in attendance.

Yesterday there was a big day cricket match in the afternoon, followed by a representation of *Toussaint* and a tea-dance. At the City Hall there was a special party for Servicemen.

At The Cinemas.
Special programmes were arranged at the Queen's World and Star Theatres throughout the holiday, and it was quite difficult to obtain a seat.

Sports.
Sport over the holiday is reported elsewhere in this issue. There has been a full and varied programme including races at Kwai, football, cricket and bowls. The rowing did not take place on Saturday from the Yacht Club, owing to the choppy sea. Golf competitions at Fanling continue until to-day, and results are not yet available.

Yesterday there was a meeting of the Fanling Hunt, cricket matches and an International Football Match for the *Sunday Herald* Charity Cup, as a result of which Scotland enters the final and will meet either China or England, who play to-day. Cricket is also being continued to-day, including the Cricket Club v. Army match.

SERVICE MEN ENTERTAINED.

WHIST DRIVE AND SOCIAL AT CITY HALL.

The second Yuletide Entertainment for the benefit of Servicemen in the Colony, and held under the auspices of the "Cheer O" Y.M.C.A., took place at the City Hall last evening.

There was a large gathering, of some 300 men.

Mr. R. A. Brown, assisted by other Y.M.C.A. workers and a number of ladies were responsible for the organisation of the function, which started with a whist drive.

The St. Andrew's George's rooms were tastefully decorated with flags and greenery.

After the whist drive supper was served and this was followed by Yuletide games of the old fashioned sort. These were thoroughly enjoyed, and the spirit of Christmas was evident throughout.

There were also a number of musical items.

On Thursday night there will be a dance for the Servicemen at the City Hall, also under the auspices of the "Cheer O" Y.M.C.A. The prizes for the gentlemen were won by A. White, R.N. (1st), G. Woods, K.O.S.B. (2nd). The first ladies' prize was by Mrs. J. F. Taylor. The second prize was awarded to A. Chadwick, R.N. who "played as a lady."

Miss M. Paget won the ladies' trophy prize, and J. R. Tennant, Scots Guards, the Gentlemen's trophy.

AT CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

MARRIED & SINGLE, PRIZE GIVING AND DANCE.

As part of the Christmas entertainment at the Craigengower Cricket Club, a cricket match was played yesterday afternoon, between the married and single members of the Club. Prizes won in the competitions during the season were also distributed. This was followed by a Tea Dance which provided much enjoyment for members, visitors and the ladies.

In cricket the result was a draw. The single men batted first and scored 184, towards which Fritz contributed 74. Fletcher bowled very effectively, capturing five wickets for 28. The married men had lost five wickets for 118 runs when play had to be stopped owing to bad light. The full scores appear in our cricket news.

Sports Prizes.
At the close of the cricket match there was much congratulation when Mrs. Kharas gave away the sports prizes won during the season. Mr. D. E. Kharas (Hon. Treasurer) returned thanks for the honour paid to his wife, and he also thanked the visitors who were always welcome at these gatherings. He next paid a tribute to the new President, Mr. R. Bass, for his long and valuable work on behalf of the Club. A similar tribute was paid to the new Hon. Secretary, Mr. W. B. Muskett.

In reviewing sports activities during the season, Mr. Bass thanked the ladies for the increasing interest they had taken in tennis during the year. He also outlined the efforts of the Club to make cricket popular in the colony and he called on the members to take more interest in the game.

The prizes were distributed as follows:

Cricket:—Batting: O. Ismail. Bowling: S. Abbas.
Tennis:—Singles Handicap: J. M. Silva, E. Hanson. Doubles Handicap: J. M. Silva and C. E. Xavier; A. Remedios and A. Lewis. Mixed Doubles: J. Leonard and Mrs. H. Stainfield; A. B. Hanson and Mrs. Bennett.

Lawn Bowls:—Singles: R. Bass, A. W. Grimmit. Pairs: M. A. Sousa and W. T. Brightman; R. H. Whitford and A. Sewa. Rink: C. Bennett and D. Fritz; F. J. Neves and P. K. Modi; A. W. Grimmit and C. S. Roselet; W. T. Brightman and A. Lewis.

Billiards:—A. Gillard, I. C. Sousa, C. S. Roselet, C. Rodrigues. Runners-up: R. F. Luz, F. J. Neves, S. Deacon, A. A. Razack.

AT THE C.S. CRICKET CLUB.

DELIGHTFUL ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE CHILDREN.

CLUB PRIZES DISTRIBUTED.

The annual children's entertainment at the Civil Service Cricket Club took place yesterday afternoon and a very happy time was spent by parents and children, thanks to the arrangements made by an energetic band of workers.

Great credit is due to Mrs. J. Hallidge and Mr. B. E. Maughan for their work in connection with the big Christmas Tree, which carried presents for all the children. Other organisers were Messrs. A. W. Grimmit, S. Eccleshall, H. E. Strange, L. E. Longbottom (Hon. Secretary) and B. E. Maughan (Hon. Treasurer).

In addition to races for the children, there were a sliding shoot, Aunt Sally and sea-saws rigged by the men of H.M.S. *Tamar*. Messrs. Murphy and Mitchell, as clown and Mr. Kerrison in a kind of George Robey get-up with small hat and blue-bottle nose were a great draw. Melodians from H.M.S. *Titanic* played pleasing music and assisted in making the meeting a success.

In the afternoon Father Christmas handed the prizes to Mrs. J. R. Wood who gave them to the children, and how happy they were needs no telling.

Club Prizes.

In the afternoon the prizes won in the Club tournaments during the season were also distributed by Mrs. J. R. Wood. The results were:

Bowls:—Club Championship: 1. Mr. A. W. Grimmit; 2. Mr. T. D. E. Pendered; 3. Mr. R. A. Smith. Club Pairs:—Mr. R. A. Smith and Mr. L. E. Longbottom; Mr. S. Eccleshall and Mr. A. O. Brown. Club Handicap:—1. Mr. F. Haynes; 2. Mr. Deakin.

Novices Bowls:—1. Mr. F. H. Holdman; 2. Mr. F. Archibald.

Tennis:—Mixed Doubles Handicap:—Mr. Randle and Mrs. Parkhurst; Mr. A. W. Grimmit and Mrs. C. E. Jones.

Men's Singles Handicap:—1. Mr. F. White; 2. Mr. Randle.

Cricket:—Batting (1st XI): Mr. C. R. Sayer; Bowling, Mr. B. D. Evans. Batting (2nd XI): Mr. H. E. Strange; Bowling, Mr. D. Edmonds.

Organisers Congratulated.

His Honour Mr. Justice Wood (President), in expressing thanks on behalf of Mrs. Wood for having been asked to distribute the prizes, said that he had heard of a miscalculation made by the Legislative Council in the number of children in the Colony. This, he said, was not surprising when he saw the number of children on the ground. The organisers, however, had made no miscalculation, and they deserved thanks for their work which resulted in one of the most successful gatherings he had seen.

Cheers were called for Mrs. Wood and there was a hearty response.

TAKING ADVANTAGE.

THIEF SELECTS AN OVER LOADED VICTIM.

A Chinese cook of the Empire Cafe set out on Christmas morning to make the necessary purchases for a good Christmas feed. He returned carrying pails of milk, fish and other eatables, and over his shoulder was a joint of lamb. In his pocket was \$28.01.

The cook went along merrily until a man standing at the corner of Reclamation Street, saw what a helpless position he was in, for offering resistance. The man said to the cook, "Well, mate, you are in a nice muddle. I will just enlighten your load."

After taking the money, the thief ran into the outspread arms of a sturdy Indian sergeant. He threw away the incriminating money, but unfortunately for him, the policeman had seen enough.

The footpad was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, and sent to goal for three months.

NOTE FORGERS GAOLED.

ATTEMPT TO ENGRAVE CANTON NOTES.

Two of the four Chinese who were charged with unlawfully making a plate of the Central Bank of China, Canton, banknotes were sentenced to five months' hard labour by Mr. R. E. Lumsdell at the Central Magistracy on Saturday morning. The other two were discharged as there was not sufficient evidence to convict them.

Mr. Horace Lo and Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, for the defence, pleaded that the plate was made not for the purpose of forgery. The defendants wanted only to use the flowery design at the back of the genuine note for "joss notes."

The Magistrate did not believe the story and passed sentence as stated above.

THE ADVANCE FROM SWATOW.

APPREHENSION IN CANTON.

NO BUSINESS PENDING UPSHOT OF STRUGGLE.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton had a very quiet Christmas. The big departmental stores on the Bund, which generally make a very good showing as regards decorations and seasonal goods, and are well patronised both by foreigners and the Chinese Christian community, have not yet resumed business. The City has by no means recovered from the Red upheaval and still has an air of being half dead. The banks still closed, no one visits the restaurants—which are usually thronged every evening—as people consider it safer to stay at home after night-fall. The shadow of the approaching struggle for the City prevents the recovery which should by now have taken place. The banks are particularly apprehensive and a good deal of specie as well as important documents of every kind have been sent to Shamen for safe keeping. Money is scarce in the City, hardly any coin being used. Central Bank notes dropped to 80 on Saturday, though nominally they still remain at par. Further transport of specie to Shamen has been forbidden but goes on, though heavy penalties can be exacted.

WORKING FOR PEACE.

A group of influential residents, who maintain a neutral attitude in politics, are working hard for a peaceful settlement, but so far without tangible results. The big clash is still to come and the immediate object is to stave it off for as long as possible by trying to define the issues and then seeking a compromise between the military leaders. There is considerable nervousness in the City itself of a conflict between troops in the North and South sections. Great efforts are being made to prevent any "incident" which might precipitate a struggle on a large scale.

MENACE BY THE EAST RIVER.

There are reports that a good many officers of the 5th Army Corps, especially in the junior ranks, favour the return of Li Tsai Hsin and Wong Shu Hung. This has produced some tension between the 4th and 5th Corps.

The Kwangsi troops advancing by the East River from Swatow are now close enough to form a further menace to the City. There have already been skirmishes and all Saturday and Sunday troops were being entrained for this front on the Chinese section of the Canton-Kowloon Railway. General Mau Pei Nam is now commanding the Kwangtung troops in that section, and it is thought that there will be a strong resistance to the invaders. If they fail to hold up the Kwangsi advance such of them as can escape will march northwards to Fokien and seek to join the pro-Chiang Kai Shek forces. Later Chang Fat Fui, despite his "resignation" may assume command.

In Canton itself both Chiang Kai Shek and Li Tsai Hsin have strong followings. The merchants in particular favour the latter. He at least gave a short respite of good government and, unlike Chiang, has been a consistent opponent of the Reds. Li Fook Lam's prestige is steadily growing. His troops are in a controlling position in Canton, and he is recognised as the hero of the attack which recaptured the City from the Reds. Last week he and the foreign Consuls exchanged ceremonial visits.

MENACE FROM HANKOW.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

December 24th.
It is reported that General Ho Chen, Commander of the 8th, 35th and 36th Armies in Hunan, has reached an agreement with the Nationalist Forces at Hankow for an offensive to be commenced against Canton through Changsha.

ACTIVITY AT SWATOW.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

Swatow, December 24th.

The work of loading and unloading all cargo ships is being considerably delayed on account of the large number of Chinese coolies which are being impressed by local troops as baggage carriers. There has been no interference with British firms or British subjects and the situation remains quiet.

CANTON'S POLITICAL COUNCIL.

THE QUESTION OF RECONSTRUCTION.

POLITICO-MILITARY SITUATION.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The Political Council in Canton have delegated most of their powers to the remaining members of the Kwangtung Provincial Commission, Mr. Chu Hchai Hsin, Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, and Mr. Hsu Chung Ching, Commissioner of Education. Mr. Chu and Mr. Hsu are more or less neutral. They will take charge of Kwangtung civil affairs until the reorganisation of the government.

Something unpleasant would have happened on Sunday had the Canton Authorities failed to issue wages to the troops in the City in specie. The troops would not take notes for payment of wages.

There is now not much cash in hand in the banks in Canton, including the Central Bank of China, the agency of the Kuomintang which has been issuing the local paper currency.

As to reconstruction in Canton, nothing can be done for the property owners whose buildings were destroyed by the "Reds." But as some have to resume business at once, many shop-keepers in the destroyed districts have built huts and sheds to carry on. Some are already building temporary structures to start business as soon as possible. According to an official, this cannot be helped at present, and any programme of reconstruction would be out of place under the present circumstances.

The Central Bank of China notes, or Kwangtung paper money, dropped from 80 to less than 70 yesterday, and unless the improvement expected in the situation comes it may go lower.

The latest regarding the politico-military situation in Canton is that the Kwangtung Army forces have decided definitely to ally themselves with the Chiang Kai Shek military clique. It is definitely known that the Kwangtung clique will oppose the return of the Kwangsi forces now to Kwangtung.

General Chiang Kai Shek is expected formally to assume his post as commander-in-chief of the Revolutionary Army early in January and he will then order General Fong Ting Ying and General Fan Shek Shang to take charge of the Canton military situation, particularly as to the garrisoning of Canton City proper.

Generals Fong and Fan have been despatching troops from North River districts to Canton City, while those of the 4th Army Corps, formerly under Chang Fat Fui, and Wong Kie Cheung, are going to the East River districts to oppose the return of General Li Tsai Hsin's troops from Swatow.

BORODIN AND GALLER.

"STILL SOMEWHERE IN CHINA."

NATIONALIST GOVERNMENT MANDATE.

(Asiatic News Service.)

SHANGHAI, December 14th.

The Nationalist Government at Nanking this morning issued mandates ordering the apprehension of Wang Ching Wei, Kan Lai Kuan, Cheng Shu Jen, Ho Hsiang Li (wife of late Liao Chung Kai of Canton), Koo Meng Yu, Chang Fa Kuei and Tuang Chi Hsiang on account of their connections with the Moscow-controlled Chinese Communist Party as well as their intrigues in connection with the Red coup d'etat at Canton.

According to the mandate, Borodin and Gallen, who are reported still "somewhere" in China, are the actual wire-pullers behind the present Red activities in Kwangtung, and four of their adherents are now serving as advisers to the so-called Chinese Farmers and Peasants Army at Canton.

This mandate also states that the real headquarters of the Red Army are established in the Soviet Consulate at Canton and Wang Ching Wei has been nominated Chairman of the Central Executive Committee of the Farmers and Peasants Army with the above-mentioned persons as members. On account of this mandate of the Nanking Government, General Pai Chung Hsi searched the houses of Wang Ching Wei and his supporters to-day; but he found nothing because Wang and his company left Shanghai secretly prior to the promulgation of the mandate.

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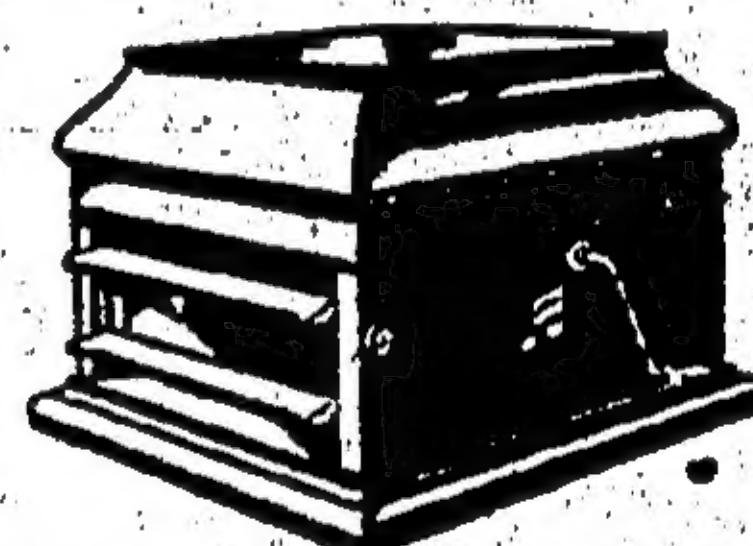
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ALMEIDA PINHEIRO,
Harbour Master,
Macao, 20th December, 1927. [5689]

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Hong Kong, 23rd December, 1927. [5685]

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Hong Kong, 20th December, 1927.

PRESENTATION TO REV. H. COPLEY MOYLE.

A RECEPTION will be held in the CATHEDRAL HALL on THURSDAY, 29th INSTANT, from 5.6 P.M. to 8 P.M. to bid FAREWELL to the Rev. H. COPLEY MOYLE. At 5.30 P.M. a Presentation will be made to Mr. MOYLE by the Hon. Mr. OWEN HUGHES on behalf of the Subscribers to the Presentation Fund. All interested are invited to be Present. Tea will be served from 5 P.M. On behalf of the Church Body, C. BLAKER, Hon. Secretary. [5690]

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ARTIFICIAL SILK.

The other day Lady Houston, widow of the shipping magnate, Sir ROBERT HOUSTON, called at Whitehall and handed over to the Treasury a cheque for a million and a quarter pounds in settlement of death duties on her late husband's estate. This huge sum was obtained for the immediate purpose chiefly by the sale of shares in Courtauld's, Ltd., the great artificial silk manufacturers; and there was no difficulty over the Stock Exchange side of the transaction. That of course was due to the eagerness of the investing public to obtain holdings in the artificial silk industry, the development of which in recent years has been meteoric.

From the standpoint of the general observer artificial silk is a very recent newcomer in the field of commerce, a discovery

which in some strange way has appeared and challenged the supremacy of natural silk as produced in China and elsewhere for many centuries. But in this case the popular conception is wide of the mark. This is made abundantly clear in a notable book under the title "Roya (artificial silk) Industry," by M. H. AYRAM, Lecturer on Industrial Engineering, New York University, and published by Constable & Co. Nearly half a century ago a French scientist, Count Chardonnet, produced the first commercial yarn of artificial silk. But it is of interest to note that twenty years earlier, following the discovery of nitro cellulose, a patent had been taken out in England for transforming nitro cellulose into fine threads which the inventor, George Audemar, called "artificial silk." Thus it can be claimed that England was in fact the pioneer country of the industry.

Chardonnet spent years in studying the life, habits and secretions of the silk worm, and in conjunction with Messrs. Wardle & Davenport, of Leek, he produced his first synthetic fibre, using pulp obtained from the mulberry tree, as his raw material. In 1899 he publicly exhibited specimens of his silk; and it is from this that the beginning of the artificial silk industry should be dated. The display convinced capitalists that there was a future for the new material; and the first artificial silk factory was set up at Besancon, the native town of Chardonnet, in Northern France. After the Paris Exhibition of 1900, the late Mr. H. G. Terley, a leading member of Courtauld's—a business then carried on as a family concern by the Courtaulds in Essex for the manufacture of crepe—was so impressed by what he saw that he persuaded the principals to take over the manufacture of artificial silk, and thereby paved the way to fortune for thousands who were lucky enough to buy shares in the enterprise when investors were invited to participate.

It is therefore apparent that like many other great industries the manufacture of artificial silk started from small things. It grew from the production of a few thousand pounds in 1900 from one factory, to 172,000,000 pounds in 1925 from over a hundred factories. The development in Europe has been rapid, but very little of the new textile fibre found its way to America till 1910. Different processes of manufacture are adopted in the production of various kinds of artificial silk now on the market. But Mr. AYRAM is careful not to assume the role of prophet in regard to the ultimate supremacy of any one of these processes over the others.

"The wonders of technology never cease," he states; and there may be astonishing developments yet in methods of production. Apart from that, the importance of the future of the industry can scarcely be exaggerated. The admixture of artificial silk with cotton has been tried of late years in England with satisfactory results, and in this direction it is probable immense possibilities may be opened up for manufacturers with resultant advantage to trade and to consumers throughout the world.

Dr. Frederick Thompson has been appointed a member of the Dental Board.

The Shanghai Christmas Fund for Ricksamen totalled \$3,070 on the 30th instant.

The Christmas Fund for Manila traffic policemen totalled pesos 2,916 on the 30th inst.

Among passengers arriving on the President McKinley from the North yesterday was Mr. S. S. Challaam.

There will be a meeting of the Sanitary Board to-morrow (Wednesday) afternoon, but the 21 items on the agenda comprise formal business only.

The members of St. Andrew's Church choir toured Kowloon during the few nights prior to Christmas singing carols. Their efforts were much appreciated.

The promotion of Lieut. F. Syme Thompson to the rank of Captain in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps with effect from December 16th, has been gazetted.

Two hundred and fourteen tins of prepared opium were brought to the Water Police Station by detectives. The drug was found in a bag tied with rope on Tin Chung wharf, Taikoktui.

Mr. A. Fonseca, residing at St. Francis Hotel, Queen's Road Central, made a report to the Police to the effect that whilst he was in the bathroom, some person stole from a suitcase in his room, No. 313, a sum of \$150.

Among passengers leaving on the P. & O. s.s. Kashgar for Europe on Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Gourlay, Mr. and Mrs. W. Parkinson, Mr. W. T. Sparkes, Mr. F. A. Wells and Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Young.

A Chinese who removed some of the electric bulbs from the public urinal at Shanghai Street and Portland Street, was arrested by a district watchman. He was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday and was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

A fatality occurred near Holt's wharf, Kowloon, yesterday afternoon. A coolie was sleeping on a block of wood on the lower part of a crane in a timber yard adjoining the wharf, when the house structure swung around and struck him on the chest, killing him.

It is learned that Sergeant McMahon, as well as the constables who were injured in a street battle with armed robbers, are doing very well and are all expected to recover. In regard to Sergeant McMahon, it is understood that a further operation may be necessary, but if nothing untoward happens, he should be out of hospital within the next month.

Many past and present pupils of St. Joseph's College will learn with regret that the Rev. Bro. Felix, who entered the French Hospital last Thursday, was operated on for appendicitis on Christmas Eve. The operation has proved successful and the patient is progressing as well as can be expected, although no visitors are allowed for the time being. Bro. Felix is in charge of the Matriculation Class at St. Joseph's College.

FIRE AT YAUMATI.

The police report of the fire that occurred at Yaumati on Friday night states that the outbreak commenced at 101, Reclamation Street, occupied as a rutilan ware shop. The fire spread to 159, and 155 and 157 were also damaged.

There was no loss of life but the amount of damage is unknown. Three houses were gutted and two others damaged.

Ernest Kendall, of "D" Company, the Queen's Regiment, has been admitted to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from injuries to the head sustained whilst assisting at the outbreak.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report forecast and remarks issued by the Royal Observatory yesterday morning.

The anti-cyclone has passed into the Pacific. The depression over N. China has been replaced by a new anti-cyclone. The monsoon will freshen along the east coast of China.

The report issued at 5.55 stated: An anti-cyclone has formed over N. China. A deep depression is central to the N.E. of Japan. A shallow depression appears to be formed over Bangkok.

Local Forecast—East winds moderate cloudy.

MOHAMMEDAN WEDDING.

ESMAIL—EBRAHIM.

IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY.

A very pretty marriage was solemnized at No. 3, Sing Woo Lane, Wongneichong; the contracting parties being Miss Annie Esmail and Mr. Usuf Ebrahim.

The ceremony was performed in accordance with the Mohammedan religion and was largely attended by the Mohammedan community as well as by several prominent Chinese and Europeans.

The bride who looked very charming in her dress of Chinese brocade silk with gold braiding, is the daughter of the well-known local share broker, Mr. H. M. Hajee Esmail. The bridegroom is with the Civil Service in Jesselton, British North Borneo, for which port he will be sailing to-day with his bride by the s.s. *Suisang*.

MARRIAGE ARRANGED.

MR. J. D. LLOYD AND MISS DOROTHEA CROWE.

A cable from England announces that a marriage has been arranged between Mr. J. D. Lloyd and Dorothea, the eldest daughter of Mrs. Crowe of Weston.

Mr. John Daniel Lloyd, who has been in the Cadet Service of the Hong Kong Government, since 1907, went on leave during the early part of this Summer and is expected to return to the Colony in March next. He has been spending most of his holiday in Weston-super-Mare, his native town. He was appointed Superintendent of Imports and Exports in January, 1923.

MR. NGAI BONG PING'S ELDEST DAUGHTER.

TO MARRY MR. LEE SHIU KEE.

The wedding is announced to take place on January 3rd of Miss Ngai Ling Chee, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ngai Bong Ping of 3, Lower Castle Road, to Mr. Lee Shiu Kee.

Mr. Ngai Bong Ping was formerly Commissioner of Police at Canton, and the bridegroom is the brother of Mr. Lee Shiu Kai who recently married the eldest daughter of the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G. He is at present studying medicine. A dinner will be given on January 4th at Kam Ling restaurant in honour of the marriage.

NOVEMBER WEATHER.

231 HOURS OF SUNSHINE.

The meteorological observations taken at the Royal Observatory during the month of November show that the average mean temperature for that period was 71, the highest recorded being 82.4 on the 4th, and 82.3 on the 3rd, and the lowest 58.7 on the 30th.

There were 231.4 hours of sunshine, the longest period being on the 5th, 10.7 hours, with ten other days of over ten hours of sunshine each, and there was 1.925 inch of rain, while the average humidity was 64.

The rainfall for the month of November at the Botanical Gardens was 1.32in. on 5 days, at the Matilda Hospital, "Mount Kellett," it was 0.50in. on 3 days, and at the Police Station, Taiipo, it was 4.20ins. on 2 days.

The lowest reading of the barometer (M.S.L.) was 29.67ins. at 12th hour 30th minute on the 20th. The maximum squall velocity, as recorded by the Dines-Baxendell anemograph, was at the rate of 71 miles per hour at 12th hour 27th minute on the 20th.

THE KID BROTHER.

CHRISTMAS CHEER AT THE QUEEN'S.

HAROLD LLOYD THE DEPUTY SHERIFF.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

A very delightful programme has been arranged for Christmas at the Queen's; although the spirit of hilarity comes via America it brings with it memories of an English Christmas and you will be exceedingly hard to please if you do not laugh heartily and thoroughly enjoy your cinema during the next two days.

First of all the orchestra, in a medley of Christmas bells, carols, and songs, strikes the right note. Unfortunately, they cannot give the encores demanded at each house, for the next performance must be considered. The short Metro-Goldwyn comedy "Sugar Daddies" has some very amusing situations and moves swiftly.

Most of us will confess to a weakness for Harold Lloyd; his absurd ingenious look, and his extraordinary agility, would make him interesting in any rôle, and to add to this his stories and the supporting cast are always well chosen. "The Kid Brother" is as good as any thing he has given us. It is a change to see Lloyd as a farm lad, and perhaps his make-up suffers a little, for Harold the exquisite is more laughable than Harold the hobbleday; but it gives him more acting to do, and he does it very well.

Harold is the youngest of three sons of a small town farmer; his father and brothers are strong silent men all brawn and muscle, so Harold with his slender physique is cinderella. His ingenious methods of washing clothes and dishes, and the neat ways in which he scores off his big brothers, are fresh and amusing, and the action never falters from beginning to end. The scene on the derelict boat is as good a one as we have ever seen on the films, and you are left marvelling at the brain which invented such a multitude of amusing incidents. A bride and seek of this description generally consists of a more or less well repeated series of incidents, but Lloyd never repeats himself.

THE WEEK'S PROGRAMMES.

Queen's.

Today and to-morrow Harold Lloyd is at the Queen's in one of his most riotous moods, and on Thursday comes "Resurrection." Dolores del Rio who plays the heroine was "discovered" quite by chance in Mexico City by her director-Carew when on his honeymoon. Her first great success was as Charmaine in "What Price Glory." As the film is unusually long it will start directly after the overture at each performance. Sunday next brings us the promised "Bedu Geste," another long film and one for which heavy bookings are expected; so don't be late.

World.

A comedy of the army of occupation called "Tin Haze" takes us to Germany to-day and to-morrow. Conrad Nagel and Tom O'Brien the "Bull" of "The Big Parade" take part in a most amusing picture. The South Seas and delightful Gilda Gray bring romance and beauty to the "World" on Thursday the film being "Aloma of the South Seas." Some of the scenes were taken in Porto Rico, and the storm scene is one of the finest ever seen on the screen.

Star.

Monte Carlo and yet another Ruritania are shown at the "Star" to-day and to-morrow. In "The Lucky Lady" lovely Greta Nissen is a princess who tries to look ugly to discourage an unwanted suitor, Lionel Barrymore; but she shows her beauty to the dashing young hero who carries her off to a less romantic land. On Thursday we see New York. "Pudlock" with Noah Beery and Louise Dresser tells of the conflict between old and young, and the temptations of nightlife on Broadway.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE WAR
IN NORTH CHINA.

THE STRUGGLE FOR SHANTUNG STILL PROCEEDING.

MARSHAL CHIANG KAI SHEK AWAITING ORDERS
FROM THE KUOMINTANG CONFERENCE.OFFICIAL NANKING
REPORT.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 26th.
The Nanking Military Council reports the latest war developments in North China as follows:

The Shansi troops operating in North Shansi succeeded in capturing Tating on the 22nd inst., the Fengtienese being pushed back on the Shansi border.

On the same day Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang's troops captured Tai ming, in Southern Chihli.

After the occupation of Hsuehchow further attacks on the Northerners did not take place on a large scale by the Southerners but it seems that Marshal Feng's troops are playing a very active part in their Southern Shantung campaign. The latest report says that their vanguard reached a point some 10 miles south of Yenchow. In view of the fact that they established their position very near to the enemy camp, severe fighting is imminent.

On accepting the Nanking appointment as Chief Commander of the Third Route Kuomintang Army, General Pei Chung Hsi, a Kwangsi general co-operating with General Li Tsai Han, will lead his main forces to Honan in order that he may temporarily establish himself there to attack Northern Kwangtung.

Marshal Chiang Kai Shek will not assume office as Commander-in-Chief of the Kuomintang Army until receiving formal orders from the coming Kuomintang Conference, which is expected to be inaugurated in the first week of January.

Marshal Feng's troops, under General Sun Liang-Cheng, are advancing in the direction of Taiman, the capital of Shantung.

In view of the Shantung situation, Marshal Chang Tso Lin has decided to assume the defensive along the Peking-Suiyung Railway towards General Yen Shih Shan, so that he may detach a number of Fengtienese reinforcements to the Shantung front.

SHANGHAI TRAMS.

FULL RESUMPTION FOLLOWS
SOVIET DEPARTURE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Dec. 25th.
The full tram service was resumed this morning.

Former strikers are now assisting the Police to arrest agitators, realising that risks of reprisals have passed off with the departure of Soviet members, seventeen of whom, including Kovlovski, sailed on the *Sihuan* this morning for Vladivostok.

DOOMED "S.4"

LAST MINUTE EFFORTS.

AMERICAN LEGION'S
CRITICISM.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24th.
Unwilling to give up hope that some of the crew of the *S.4* are still alive, Mr. Wilbur has decided to go to Provincetown to confer with officers of the Salvage Fleet.

Mr. Wilbur declared "as long as we can carry on above the spot where they went down we will do so."

Salvage Work.

New York, Dec. 24th.
All hope of rescuing any of the crew of the submarine *S.4* is virtually abandoned. The rescue fleet is now devoting its attention to salvage, but the raising of the vessel is unlikely until the Spring.

Since the *S.4* tragedy people have been too interested in the life saving efforts to criticise the Navy Department's management of the salvage operation. Now, however, the public Press is showing certain impatience. A resolution crystallising the feelings of a considerable section of the public was passed by the Massachusetts Post of the American Legion declaring that "the apparent incompetency of the Navy Department in handling the situation, whether due to lack of proper equipment, red tape, inefficiency or other causes, can be viewed only with apprehension."

Meanwhile the Secretary of the Navy has issued numerous statements giving the impression that he is on the defensive.

Everything points to the whole question of safety measures for submarines being thrashed out in Congress shortly. The strong feelings aroused by the disaster all over the country are hardly likely to be satisfied with less.

SOVIET CONSULAR STAFF:
LEAVE FOR VLADIVOSTOK.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

SHANGHAI, Dec. 23rd.
It is reported that the Soviet Consular Staff are leaving Shanghai on December 24th.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 24th.
The Soviet Consul General with his staff and their families sailed for Vladivostok to-day (Saturday) by the Soviet Mercantile steamer *Sihuan*.

Bandits Executed.

CHENGCHU, Dec. 25th.

A number of bandits who were captured by H.M.S. *Cricket* on December 21st were handed over to the Chinese military authorities for trial. They were shot to-day.

Anhui's Capital Quiet.

ANKING, Dec. 24th.

A number of Spanish priests paid a visit to H.M.S. *Scrab*. It is reported that the town is quiet and that no British or American subjects are there.

There are 10,000 troops, under Chen Tai Yuen present, and bandits have been reported to be present in the vicinity.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

General Pei.

HANKOW, Dec. 23rd.
General Pei Chung Chi has returned to Hankow from Shanghai.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 24th.
There has been a marked reduction in the number of armed robberies in the last few days.

A HANKOW OUTBURST.

KUOMINTANG TIRADE
AGAINST CHRISTIANITY.

HANKOW, Dec. 20th.
According to a message from Ichang, the Ichang branch of the Political Council of the Kuomintang has recently organised a committee entitled "the committee to oppose foreigners cultural aggression."

Handbills against Christianity were placarded in the city by the committee last evening.

The handbill reads:—
1. "Christianity is the worst demon of Imperialism."

2. "Christianity is the fundamental material to narcotise man's life."

3. "Oppose the Y.M.C.A."

4. "Down with the schools under the management of Christian missionaries."

5. "Destroy Christianity which is a medium for foreigners' cultural aggression."

Tehu.

LANCASHIRE'S COTTON
INDUSTRY.

AN IMPORTANT REPORT.

ATTEMPT TO AVERT A
CRISIS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Dec. 24th.
The Federation of Master Cotton Spinners' Associations have drawn up a scheme to reduce the production and costs of increase and output.

A revision of the hours and wages is foreshadowed in the report, which has been submitted to the Cotton Spinners and Manufacturers' Associations but whereon no joint decisions have yet been taken.

An unconfirmed report states that the Federation recommends a reduction of 13 per cent. on the piece rates paid to operatives and an extension of the working hours from 48 to 52, the idea being not to reduce the weekly wages packet but to increase the output.

At present the machinery is unproductive for four or five hours weekly for cleaning and ciling.

The report further tackles the question of the uneconomic position of mills re-capitalised during war-time.

FRENCH BUDGET PASSED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, Dec. 24th.
The French Chamber of Deputies passed the Budget by 393 votes to 125.

PARIS, Dec. 25th.
The Budget, after going backwards and forwards between the Chamber and the Senate, has been definitely adopted by both Houses by substantial majorities.

Receipts total Fr. 42,496,000,000; expenditure Fr. 42,441,000,000.

ANOTHER PIRACY ON
THE YANGTSE.THE FRENCH S.S. "SHUENHONG"
THOROUGHLY LOOTED.MANY PASSENGERS KILLED
AND WOUNDED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Dec. 26th.
A telegram from Ichang states that the French steamer *Shuenhong*, while proceeding to Shaoi, was pirated below Ichang on the 22nd instant.

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"MEXICAN METHODS"
IN POLAND.POLITICAL WRITER ROUGHLY
HANDLED.

AN OUTRAGEOUS AFFAIR.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WARSAW, December 25th.
The playwright, M. Nowaczynski, who is also a leader writer for the Conservative Press against the present régime, was visited yesterday evening by two civilians and another man in uniform, a senior police officer, who produced a warrant showing that Nowaczynski was required at the State Attorney's office.

Nowaczynski entered a taxi and was driven to the outskirts of the city, where he was brutally set on and beaten with rubber clubs and the butts of revolvers.

His assailants apparently intended to throw him into the lake whether they were dragging him but, frightened by the attentions of passers-by, they made off in taxis.

The Conservative Press, which stigmatised the incident as being "Mexican methods of fighting opponents," and threatened reprisals have had their issues confiscated by the Government.

It is announced that the affair will be investigated and that the criminals will be severely punished.

THE MUSLIM
LEAGUE.

A DEFINITE SPLIT.

LAHORE OR CALCUTTA?

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LAHORE, December 24th.
A definite split has occurred in the Muslim ranks fundamentally as to the attitude which the All-India Muslim League should adopt towards the Statutory Commission and the communal electorates.

The trouble began as to who should preside at the League's next session. The Aga Khan declined and Sir Muhammad Shafi was then elected.

Laure was first chosen as the venue but on December 1st it was changed to Calcutta whereupon the Aga Khan intervened and suggested Delhi or Aligarh, but Mr. Jinnah, President of the League's Council insisted on Calcutta. Consequently, Sir M. Shafi has now resigned and there is a likelihood that two rival sessions will be held simultaneously at Lahore and Calcutta.

RUBBER TRADING.

MUST HAVE COUPONS IN
CEYLON.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

COLOMBO, Dec. 24th.
Legislation became effective on December 23rd, making it illegal to purchase or sell rubber in Ceylon without coupons.

JAPANESE NAVAL
DISASTER.

A TRAGIC SEQUEL.

CRUISER COMMANDER COM-
MITS SUICIDE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, Dec. 26th.
Captain Mizuki, ex-commander of the cruiser *Jintu*, holding himself responsible for the naval disaster of August 24th, when the *Jintu* sank the destroyer *Warabi*, has committed suicide.

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THE "DAWN."

FEARS FOR HER SAFETY.

WIRELESS MESSAGE THEN
SILENCE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, December 25th.
Anxiety is growing in America with regard to the fate of the amphibian seaplane *Dawn* which left Roosevelt Field yesterday evening for Harbour Grace with a view to making a Trans-Atlantic flight.

The occupants were Mrs. Grayson, Oscar Oandil, pilot, Brice Goldsborough, navigator, and Fred Ochler, mechanic.

There has been no news of the plane since she passed Cape Cod yesterday night. The sea has been rough with strong wind.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]
Search Expedition Leaves.

New York, December 25th.
The aeroplane *Dawn* has not yet been located and it is now 48 hours since she left Roosevelt Field.

A search expedition left Curtiss Field this afternoon.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]
In Wireless Communication.

HALIFAX, December 26th.
A wireless message from Sable Island states that they were in communication with the aeroplane *Dawn* to the effect that something was wrong but had been interrupted by the storm.

Nothing Since Been Heard.
It now appears that Sable Island received the communication from the *Dawn* on Friday evening, since when nothing had been heard.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]
MEDITERRANEAN FLEET
COMMAND.

NEW C.I.C.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Dec. 24th.
The Admiralty announces that Vice-Admiral Sir Frederick Field has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean Fleet in succession to Sir Roger Keyes, to date from May 1st, 1928.

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SPORT.

Cricket, Home and Local Football, Kwanti Xmas Meeting,
Lawn Bowls, etc.

HOLIDAY CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. v. THE ARMY.

DOBBIE'S DAY.

The "Christmas Match" began yesterday on the Club ground. Owing to no doubt to the date—the start was not quite punctual but the game was well under way by 11.30 a.m. The Army batted first and were rather at a disadvantage owing to the absence of three of their side, Graham, Tyringham and Coghill who were detained by their regimental duties until this time.

Luckily for them Drysdale and Morris got going for the first wicket. The pitch was not too bad, though Leach was spinning them with so much top that they got up badly at the Law Courts end. Wales also at times whipped off the pitch at a tremendous pace. One of them was touched by Morris but it beat not only the batsman but the wicket-keeper for pace. It cost the Club a good deal however, as the pair stopped in steadily together. They made no attempt (very wisely) to force the pace of swing but Morris made a few very hard drives. At 53 Drysdale was too soon for one of Summers, who had relieved Leach at the Naval Yard end, and was well caught and bowled low down.

Dobbie, who has been out of cricket for about three weeks I believe with a damaged ankle, came in to play very quiet and defensive cricket and thirty runs were added before Morris got in two more runs into the air to Hayward at mid-off. Newbury kept the wicket up until this.

Bot Sets In.

The Club seemed to feel a lot better after their tiffin and set about the Army bats heartily. Leach and Wales bowled again at their respective ends and shared the remaining eight wickets between them. Dobbie alone was the stumbling block. He played a fine defensive game varied with an occasional big hit. Brace took Newbury finely at the wicket soon after the resumption of the game and shortly after Leach bowled Moss and Miles was taken in the slips by Hancock who made a fine catch after the ball had been deflected by the wicket keeper's gloves. Meantime Wales bowled Sergt. Leach and had Coghill well taken at forward square leg by Hammond. Tyringham played a very weak shot to Sayer off Leach and the fieldsmen made no mistake about the catch. There was still a chance for the Army if Graham would stop with Dobbie but after scoring a single he played a very poor shot off Wales to Leach at short mid-off. Fogden who at times can keep up his end very steadily, never looked like playing Wales and played on with the score at 157. Dobbie was undefeated with 68, a good knock albeit more restrained than usual, owing to no doubt to his injury. He was lucky at times but gave no chance that went to hand.

Poor Start by Club.

Hayward and Leach went in to face Dobbie (Naval Yard end) and Newbury. Leach got the former bowler nicely away for four in the first over but touched the last ball and was smartly taken at first second by Miles. Sayer and Hayward were apparently getting going when Dobbie got in a ball to the former which never rose at all and took the base of the off-stick. In the same over Hayward put one near second slip. Miles dived at it and knocked it up for Newbury at first slip to hold. An amazing bit of work. When Moor tried to put Dobbie to leg and missed the swing and was clean bowled leg stump, things looked black for the Club with 4 down for 30.

The "Old Firm."

Pearce and Hancock started to put a better complexion on things and by fine cricket took the score to 74 when Sergt. Leach who was bowling "nice" Dobbie got in a ball just similar to the one that bowled Sayer and took the bottom of Hancock's off stump—a practically unplayable ball.

Disaster.

A few runs later came disaster. Pearce tried to hook a very short one from Dobbie but was apparently a shade too soon and an easy catch at square leg resulted. 8 for 83. Then without change in the score Summers cooked one of Dobbie's up to short mid-off, and Parker hit all across one from Miles. A bye was run and then Hamilton, who very properly tried to put a half volley from Dobbie into the Commodore's vegetable garden did not quite get hold of it

and Graham at very deep mid-off or short long-off if you will—anyway he had no business to be there—made a nice catch. Owing to the receipt of special information I should state this was a trap—I don't believe it. Wales was bowled by Miles an over later and the Club were out for 84 after having had 80 up for 6. A bad business.

Army Continue.

At 4.45 p.m. the Army resumed. Morris and Drysdale facing Leach and Wales. "I know of several people who will wear an affidavit that he was caught at the wicket off Leach's first ball but the umpire differed and very properly gave him the benefit of the doubt. Thereafter Morris played excellent cricket, hitting the ball very hard. Drysdale snicked Leach and the ball went off Pearce's gloves to Hancock—the second catch of this type during the match; 5 for 1 wicket. Coghill came in and played nicely—and I was surprised to find he had only got 8 not out at the end. He gave one very hard chance to Leach who was bowling and ran across behind mid-off and really did very well to get his left hand to the chance at all just before the finish. Morris was yoked by Parker when two short of his half-century and Fogden played out time.

Thus the Army are in a very favourable position as with eight wickets to fall they are 130 runs on. The match will be resumed at 11 a.m. to-day.

As the Kowloon-Navy match terminated yesterday and will want space I propose to reserve general comment until my final report in tomorrow's issue of the "Daily Press." (Upstairs laughter and cries of "thank goodness" from a long suffering public.)

R. ABBIT.

Present score and analysis:

First Innings Of Army.

Capt. Drysdale, c and b	20
Summers	68
Capt. Morris, c Hayward, b	39
Parker	68
S.M. Newbury, c Pearce, b	4
Leach	1
St. Q.M.S. Moss, b Leach	4
Lt. Corpl. Miles, c Hancock, b	0
Leach	0
Sergt. Leach, b Wales	1
Lieut. Coghill, c Hammond, b	5
Wales	1
Capt. Tyringham, c Sayer, b	1
Leach	1
Capt. Graham, c Leach, b	1
Wales	0
Mr. Gr. Fogden, b Wales	0
Extras: byes 11, leg byes	12
Total	157

Fall of Wickets:—1/53; 2/83; 3/105; 4/121; 5/121; 6/122; 7/135; 8/148; 9/147; 10/157.

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
D. W. Leach	18	4	50	4
C. D. Wales	18	3	53	4
J. A. Summers	8	1	27	1
E. V. Hamilton	3	1	8	0
H. V. Parker	4	0	7	1

First Innings Of Club.

A. W. Hayward, c Newbury, b	6
D. W. Leach, c Miles, b	13
Dobbie	68
G. R. Sayer, b Dobbie	1
C. Moor, b Dobbie	1
T. E. Pearce, c Newbury, b	23
Dobbie	23
H. R. B. Hancock, b Dobbie	22
H. V. Parker, b Miles	5
J. A. Summers, c Drysdale, b	0
Dobbie	0
T. E. Hammond, not out	0
E. W. Hamilton, c Graham, b	0
Dobbie	0
C. D. Wales, b Miles	0
Extras: byes 10	10
Total	84

Fall of Wickets:—1/4; 2/28; 3/29; 4/30; 5/74; 6/83; 7/83; 8/83; 9/84; 10/84.

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Capt. Dobbie	11	2	28	7
S.M. Newbury	7	2	30	0
Lt. Corpl. Miles	5	1	8	2
Sergt. Leach	4	0	8	1

Second Innings Of Army.

Capt. Morris, b Parker	48
Capt. Drysdale, c Hancock, b	0
Leach	0
Lt. Coghill, not out	8
Mr. Gr. Fogden, not out	0
Extras: leg byes	3
Total (for 2 wickets)	59

Fall of Wickets:—1/5; 2/50.

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
D. W. Leach	7	1	23	1
C. D. Wales	5	1	18	0
H. V. Parker	3	0	5	1
J. A. Summers	1	0	5	0

KOWLOON C.C. v. THE NAVY.

UNUSUAL SCORING.

A CLOSE FINISH.

There was some very curious scoring in the two-day match between the Kowloon C.C. and the Navy. During the first day's play, on Saturday the home team made 188, and the Navy, after losing 5 wickets for 3 runs had increased their score to 28.

Yesterday they improved their position considerably, Lt. Salter, who had made 9 on Saturday bringing his score to 84 before he was bowled. Finally, the Navy were 53 behind on the first innings. Goodwin for the K.C.C. had the excellent figures of 8 for 43.

The Kowloon second innings opened disastrously. Two wickets fell for no runs, and six were down for 68. Thanks to E. C. Fincher, Goodwin and Lyle, who all scored fast, the score was raised to 195 when the innings was declared with 8 wickets down. It is a doubtful question whether Kowloon did not wait too long before declaring.

The Navy were thus left with 250 to get and about 2 hours in which to get them. The innings opened badly, for Venn called for a very short run to cover point and Salter was run out. The light was already getting bad by this time and there was no question of the Navy getting the runs. Venn continued to score steadily, though he had several lives behind the stumps, but the rate of scoring was undoubtedly slower.

The best stand of the innings was between Shaw and Thomson. Thomson for no runs, and six were down for 68. Thanks to E. C. Fincher, Goodwin and Lyle, who all scored fast, the score was raised to 195 when the innings was declared with 8 wickets down. It is a doubtful question whether Kowloon did not wait too long before declaring.

The pitch was playing well, though there was a spot which Fincher was especially successful in finding, and from this balls were kicking up very quickly. The light was bad towards the end of the game, and even at the beginning of the Navy's second innings it was very dull.

There were many points of interest in the play, chief of which was the question whether the Navy could save the game. Apart from this, there was an excellent recovery on each side from a demoralizing start.

Score and analysis:—

K.O.C.C. 1st Innings.

W. Brace, b Thomson	12
A. W. Ramsey, c Gardner, b	13
J. C. Lyle, c Shaw, b Dale	23
E. C. Fincher, l.b.w., b	61
Capt. F. G. Bevis, c Dale, b	6
Goodwin, c and b Thomson	1
F. E. Lawrence, c Davies, b	20
Dale	20
E. F. Fincher, c Venn, b	39
Thomson	7
S. Jex, b Gardner	1
H. T. Buxton, b Gardner	1
N. H. Ross, not out	0
Extras	5
Total	188

Bowling Analysis.	O.	M.	R.	W.
Thomson	17	5	75	5
Burrows	8	0	28	1
Hill	10	2	32	0
Dale	7	0	42	2
Gardner	8	2	1	2

Navy: 1st Innings.

Rev. R. T. Venn, c Bevis, b	0
Lt. G. L. M. Salter, b Bevis	64
Lt. K. Hunt, b Goodwin	0
E. R. A. Hill, b Goodwin	0
Lt. J. H. Dale, c Brace, b	0
Lyle	0
Lt. Comdr. A. P. Shaw, b	1
Goodwin	1
Comdr. A. H. Gray, c Bevis, b	3
Fincher	18
Lt. Comdr. A. E. Thomson, c	18
Brace, b Goodwin	12
Chief. Mech. Gardner, c	12
Lyle, b Ross	9
Cdr. Bosun Burroughs, not	0
Lt. Davies, c Brace, b Ross	14
Extras: b: 13, l.b. 1	14
Total	135

Bowling Analysis.

Bowling Analysis.				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Goodwin	19	6	43	5
Lyle	15	6	38	1
Brace	5	4	2	0
Ross	8	2	28	2
Fincher	3	0	7	1
Bevis	1	0	5	1

K.O.C.C. 2nd Innings.

F. E. Lawrence, l.b.w., b	0
Thomson	0
Capt. F. G. Bevis, c Davies, b	9
b Hill	0
E. F. Fincher, b Thomson	0
E. C. Fincher, st. Venn, b	68
A. W. Ramsey, c Hunt, b	13
Thomson	10
W. Brace, b Hill	10
F. Goodwin, c Burroughs, b	60
Salter	28
J. C. Lyle, c Venn, b Salter	28
Extras: 8, 7, l.b. 2	9

Total (for 8 wkts., in-nings declared closed) 105.

Bowling Analysis.

omson	15	3	37	3
ardner	8	2	33	0
ll	8	1	45	2
lo	6	0	43	0
urroughs	2	0	7	0
ervices	1	0	7	1
lter	2	0	14	2

Navy: 2nd Innings.

Rev. R. T. Venn, c Ross, b	34
Brace	0
Lt. G. L. M. Salter, run out	0
Lt. K. Hunt, c Lawrence, b	7
E. F. Fincher	13
Lt. Davies, b Brace	11
Lt. J. H. Dale, c Buxton, b	11
Ross	29
Lt. Comdr. A. P. Shaw, b	29
Lyle, b E. F. Fincher	16
Comdr. A. M. Gray, c E. F.	16
Fincher, b Goodwin	16
Lt. A. E. Thomson, b Goodwin	35
Mech. Gardner, not out	19
Cdr. Bosun, Burroughs, not	5
Extras: b: 1, l.b. 2, w: 1	4
Total	163

E. R. A. Hill did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

Fincher	12	2	61	2
Brace	8	3	12	2
Ross	5	1	15	1
Raymsey	4	0	16	0
Wal	3	0	10	0
Goodwin	5	1	24	2

CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

MARRIED v. SINGLE.

Single.

A. P. Lim, b Omar	1
E. Zimmerman, b Omar	23
S. Abbas, c Rumjahn, b Way	12
A. H. Hanson, b Oliver	16
D. Fritz, c Oliver, b Fletcher	14
N. Mackay, l.b.w., b Fletcher	12
F. K. Modi, c Rumjahn, b	12
Fletcher	6
J. R. Soares, run out	12
A. Lewis, c and b Fletcher	4
W. B. Muskett, c Way, b	1
Fletcher	6
J. Leonard, not out	5
Extras	22
Total	104

Bowling Analysis.

Mar	7	4	17	2
Oliver	11	1	52	1
Abbas	5	0	30	0
Way	2	0	15	1
Kitchell	3	0	18	0
Luz	2	0	14	0
Fletcher	5	1	25	5

MARRIED.

A. Kitchell, c Mackay, b	29
Fritz	0
D. Rumjahn, c S. Abbas, b	0
Muskett	0
U. M. Omar, c S. Abbas, b	6
Muskett	6
E. Mowling, st. Mackay, b	29
Abbas	11
W. Way, not out	11
Y. Abbas, l.b.w., b Lim	12
R. F. Luz, not out	15
Extras	17
Total (for 5 wkts.)	119

Bowling Analysis.

Abbas, L.b.w., b Lim	12
F. Luz, not out	15
Extras	17
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Total (for 5 wks.)	119
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J. C. Fletcher, F. Oliver,	

UNIVERSITY v. R.A.O.C.

On the University Union ground, Pokfulam, yesterday the R.A.O.C. beat their hosts by 124 runs to 99. Both teams had second innings afterwards, the winners scoring 41 for 6 wickets and the losers 63 for 5 wickets.

University.

A. Chan Fook, c Corbett	26
B. N. Sudan, b Hale	11
K. T. Loke, b Lake	4
S. E. Chen, c Pepper, b Corbett	4
A. B. Suleman, c Gordon, b	10
Roberts	19
A. A. Aziz, c Bryant, b Lake	4
H. T. Barma, b Lake	4
H. T. Barma, b Lake	0
H. T. Barma, c and b Hale	0
Pickersill, not out	1
Extras	13
Total	99

Bowling Analysis.

A. Aziz, c Bryant, b Lako	3
Hiptoola, run out	4
T. Barma, b Lako	8
H. Schiroter, b Lako	0
T. Barma, c and b Hale	0
Wickersgill, not out	1
Extras	18

R.A.O.C.

Lake, b Chan Fook	8
Pepper, b Chan Fook	1
Roberts, l.b.w., b Chan Fook	16
Waterfield, b Sudan	3
Hale, b Sudan	20
Gordon, run out	10
Bryant, c Chan Fook, b	16
Sudan	4
Moscock, b Sudan	4
Gilbert, not out	4
Thompson, b Sudan	0
Corbett, c Loke, b Sudan	2
Morris, c Loke, b Chan Fook	4
Extras	10
Total	134

Bowling Analysis.

Bowling Analysis.				
Hiptoola	7	2	13	0
Chan Fook	17	2	44	4
Aziz	9	1	3	0
Sudan	13	4	30	6
Suleman	2	0	4	0

ELECTRIC CO. MATCH.

LOCAL STAFF BEAT EUROPEANS.

In the Annual Match between Local and European Staffs of the Hong Kong Electric Company played on the Indian Recreation Club ground yesterday, the Local Staff won easily. A. S. Ismail was top scorer with 82 runs, while W. N. E. Murdoch (51) did best for the losers. A. S. Ismail and D. Mohamed were responsible for the dismissal of nine of their opponents.

Scores

KWANTI XMAS MEETING.

EXCELLENT SPORT.

[BY RAPIER.]

The steeplechasing at Kwanti improves every meeting, and the sport provided on Saturday afternoon was of a high standard. H.E. the Governor was present, also Commodore Pearson, C.B., and Mrs. Pearson, Col. and Mrs. Comyn, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Paterson, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Paterson, the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton and Mrs. Shenton, Mr. and Mrs. L. Dunbar and there was representative gathering of both Services. The Gunners tent was a rendezvous for which their many friends were duly thankful. The public were catered for by the Imperial Café and the general arrangements left nothing to be desired except, perhaps, the pari-mutuel which is still working on the slow side. The whole show is a friendly one and if anyone has any suggestions to make they will find a ready and sympathetic listener in Dr. Pierce Grove. The winds were well distributed and the dividends were satisfactory. *Cavare*, the property of Mine Host of the Hunters Arms, paid a dividend of \$90.40.

THE RACING.

My tip for the Maiden Plate proved correct but Pollock, nevertheless, did well to bring *The General* home as all sorts of things might happen in a field of sixteen. *Deerhound* disappointed his supporters in the second race, being beaten by *Cavare* by a length. There were ten runners and most of them were well up at the finish. My selections for this race were *Deerhound* to win and *Cavare* for a place.

Enter Day to win and *Cheriton Vale* for a place proved correct in the third race. It was a fine contest between these two ponies, but the winner had, I imagine, a good deal in hand and Bulteel's praiseworthy efforts to keep up with it were of little avail. It was the longest race of the day and Usher and Bulteel gave a fine exhibition of riding.

Reidy is always somewhere in the picture and he has a happy knack of choosing the most suitable events in which to run his mounts. In the fourth race he brought out *Loch Rannoch* to win by a couple of lengths from *Blotting Paper*. The issue was fought out in the straight where Reidy show to advantage.

Mrs. R. J. Paterson got a pleasing victory with *Humdinger* in the last race. Bulteel was primarily responsible for the win. I don't think it was a case of the best pony coming home first.

There were few spills or refusals as most of the ponies seem now to know what is expected of them. Skrine, I regret to say was unable to ride as he is still suffering from the effects of his loss at the Military Gymkhana. Bill Stanton, the other victim on that day, absolutely refuses to be kept out of the saddle. Detailed results were:—

1.—The Maiden Plate: 1 Mile. Messrs. Hall and Shenton's *The Gomeril* (188 lbs.) (Mr. Pollock) 1.

Mr. N. Hashim's *Sunning* (188 lbs.) (Mr. R. H. Charles) 2. Mr. Leung Yick's *Warlordship* (188 lbs.) (Mr. Chun) 3.

Also ran: *Iron General* (Mr. Miller); *Man-of-War* (Mr. Bolton); *Chick To* (Lt. Sudgen); *Circe* (Mr. Sewell); *Scotter* (Mr. Bulteel); *Warrington* (Mr. Usher); *Yorks* (Mr. Reidy); *Taree* (Mr. Stanton); *Drake* (Mr. Durian); *Borderer* (Mr. Shillington); *Veloz* (Mr. Wong); *Castle* (Mr. Barnes).

Won by three lengths; one length between second and third. Pari-mutuel:—

Winner: \$9.90. Places: 1st, \$3.90; 2nd, \$1.11; 3rd, \$1.2. Unplaced ponies (\$5 each):—Nos. 20, 24, 4, 1, 5, 14, 3, 13, 32, 7, 114.

Cash Sweeps:—Ticket No. 17 \$93.10 15 29.60 24 13.30

2.—Beefstake: 1 Mile. Mr. M. Maas's *Cavare* (168 lbs.) (Mr. Osborne) 1.

Mr. J. J. Paterson's *Deerhound* (168 lbs.) (Mr. Stanton) 2. Col. Comyn's *Durham* (168 lbs.) (Mr. Scott Elliot) 3.

Also ran: *Durian* (Lt. Welch); *Smart Guy* (Col. Bird); *Craigavon* (Mr. Sewell); *Dumbell* (Mr. Shillington); *Wild Fellow* (Mr. Charles); *Two Step* (Mr. Durian); *Foxtro* (Mr. Elliot).

Won by one length; half a length between second and third. Pari-mutuel:—

Winner: \$50.40. Places: 1st, \$12.90; 2nd, \$4.40; 3rd, \$3.30. Unplaced ponies (\$10 each):—Nos. 9, 49, 3, 4, 23, 38, 33.

Cash Sweeps:—Ticket No. 16 \$95.90 40 27.40 25 13.70

(Continued on next Column.)

TENNIS.

"INTERNATIONAL" MATCHES IN U.S.A.

[BUTLER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23rd.

The United States made a clean sweep of the three matches against the visiting French lawn tennis team. M. M. Borotra, Brugnon and Boussets, who are on a world tour. Tilden beat Borotra 7-5, 6-4; Manuel Alonso (who now plays for America) beat Brugnon 12-10, 3-6, 6-1; and Tilden and R. N. Williams beat Borotra and Boussets in the doubles 7-5, 6-4. The matches were played on indoor courts.

3.—Ladies' Plate: 12 Miles.

Mr. F. Usher's *Easter Day* (155 lbs.) (Mr. F. Usher) 1. Mrs. R. J. Paterson's *Cheriton Vale* (161 lbs.) (Mr. Bulteel) 2. Mr. H. C. Macnamara's *James Pigg* (155 lbs.) (Mr. Reidy) 3.

Also ran: *Mowgli* (Mr. Stanton); *Wild Hawk* (Mr. Backhouse); *Ma Kou Siao* (Mr. Chun). Won by four lengths; many lengths between second and third. Pari-mutuel:—

Winner: \$10.30. Places: 1st, \$3; 2nd, \$3.90; 3rd, \$7.10. Unplaced ponies (\$10 each):—Nos. 4, 11, 21.

Cash Sweeps:—Ticket No. 31 \$117.60 15 33.60 9 16.80

4.—Christmas Handicap: 12 Miles. Messrs. Dyer and Beith's *Loch Rannoch* (155 lbs.) (Mr. Reidy) 1.

Mr. M. M. Watson's *Blotting Paper* (156 lbs.) (Mr. Durlicher) 2. Mr. W. T. Stanton's *Red Leaves* (146 lbs.) (Mr. W. T. Stanton) 3.

Also ran: *More Better* (Mr. Osborne); *Wild Fellow* (Mr. R. H. Charles). Won by two lengths; many lengths between second and third. Pari-mutuel:—

Winner: \$15.60. Places: 1st, \$7.80; 2nd, \$3.40. Unplaced ponies (\$10 each):—Nos. 20 and 32.

Cash Sweeps:—Ticket No. 5 \$148.30 30 41.80 33 20.90

5.—All Derperandum Steeplechase: 7 Furlongs. Mrs. R. J. Paterson's *Humdinger* (132 lb.) (Mr. Bulteel) 1.

Mr. N. Hashim's *Sunning* (132 lb.) (Mr. Bolton) 2. Mr. Hee Cheong's *Man-of-War* (130 lb.) (Mr. Charles) 3.

Also ran: *Iron General* (Mr. Miller); *Chung Ka Kau* (Mr. Morgan); *Borderer* (Lieut. Sudgen); *Durham* (Mr. Drake); *Veloz* (Mr. Sewell); *Warlordship* (Mr. Chun); *Foxtro* (Mr. Elliot).

Won by half a length; half a length between second and third. Pari-mutuel:—

Winner: \$7.11. Places: 1st, \$3.50; 2nd, \$7; 3rd, \$9.70. Unplaced ponies (\$10 each):—Nos. 15, 37, 43, 20, 38, 16, 30.

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NEXT MEETING.

The next Steeplechase Meeting has, I understand, been fixed for January 21st.

XMAS PAPER HUNT.

DR. DURRAN WINS.

There was a field of 16 in the Paper Hunt held yesterday morning. The course was a good one covering about 7 miles, the paper having been laid by Alec. Potts. A start was made at 11 a.m. promptly from Potts' Bungalow and the spectators present had a good view of most of the course from a neighbouring hill. There were many spills but no casualties and a fine finish resulted in Dr. Durran on *Drake* winning by a couple of lengths from Charles on *Waichow*. Charles led most of the way and was closely followed by Macnamara who took the lead when within 100 yards of the winning post when he had the misfortune to be unsent owing to his pony falling. The order of finishing was as follows:—

1. Durran on *Drake*. 2. Charles on *Waichow*. 3. Backhouse on *Sheila*. 4. Hunter on *Teddy*. 5. Bolton on *Nobelman*. 6. Beck on *Strathorne*.

All the above riders and ponies are in the Mounted Infantry which proves that their training in the New Territories is not altogether wasted.

The R. J. Patersons gave a very cheery tiffin party after the race which was much appreciated by their numerous guests. The Hunters Arms was also en fête and the Yuletide spirit was very much in evidence.

ARSENAL F.C. DIRECTOR.

MR. PEACHEY TO RESIGN.

JUDGE AND SIR HENRY MORRIS.

LONDON, Nov. 17th. The Arsenal Football Club dispute was settled in the High Court yesterday by the resignation of Mr. G. W. Peachey of his directorship of the club.

Mr. Peachey had brought an action for an injunction to restrain the company from allotting 1,500 unissued shares to three directors.

Sir Samuel Hill-Wood, Mr. George Frederick Allison, and Mr. John James Edwards, and to restrain them from voting with respect to those shares at a general meeting of the company.

After a lengthy hearing, Mr. Peachey accepted an offer that if he would resign "there and then" the defendants would pay his costs in that action and that another action would be stayed, the defendants paying the costs of that too.

As a result of Mr. Peachey's resignation, the meeting called for to-day has been cancelled.

JUDGE AND "WRECKING."

Mr. Peachey's Chance To Save His Face.

The action was heard by Mr. Justice Astbury in the Chancery Division.

Mr. A. Guest Mathews, who represented Mr. Peachey, said that a meeting had been called to pass or attempt to pass a resolution, that Mr. Peachey should be discharged from his office as a director. Last Friday the directors allotted to themselves 300 shares each; and Mr. Peachey now claimed that the issue of those shares was invalid and ought to be cancelled.

The trouble, said Mr. Mathews, began last August when the Football Association directed an inquiry into matters arising in the administration of the club. One of the findings was that Mr. Peachey and Mr. J. W. Humble, who had been directors for many years.

had been remiss in their duties in failing to discover the before-mentioned transaction, and that they should not be permitted to continue in their position as directors or take any part in the management of the club.

The report of the commission was placed before the council of the Football Association, which on August 28th passed a resolution by which they purported to remove Mr. Peachey from the board of directors of the Arsenal Club.

Following the decision of the council the other directors of the club excluded Mr. Peachey from directors' meetings, alleging that Mr. Peachey had been validly dismissed from the board. Mr. Peachey then began an action to restrain the defendants from excluding him from directors' meetings. A motion, in that action came before Mr. Justice Mackinnon, who expressed the opinion that Mr. Peachey was right in law though his lordship did not think fit to grant an injunction.

Then the club, apparently thinking that their position in law was not quite all that it might be, again called Mr. Peachey to directors' meetings, but from a certain date had made no secret of their intention to secure the dismissal of Mr. Peachey, and the steps taken in that direction had culminated in the issue of the shares now in question.

Mr. Mathews mentioned that the Football Association Council had rescinded their original resolution concerning Mr. Peachey, and had substituted a direction that the Arsenal Club were to remove Mr. Peachey from their board.

Mr. Peachey had always denied suggestions of remissness as a director. All that was alleged against him was that he had been remiss in not discovering somebody else's irregularity. There had been no suggestion at any directors' meeting that moneys were required for club purposes.

Mr. Archer, K.C., for the defendants: Money is urgently required by the club and all the directors are fully alive to the fact and have been for some little time.

Mr. Archer pointed out that Sir Henry Norris had also been dealt with in the F.A. Council's report. "Sir Henry Norris," said Mr. Archer, "was on his trial for taking money from the club which he ought not to have taken in the name of his chauffeur. That is what it comes to."

Mr. Archer then read from the report the statement of Sir Henry Norris which, he said, "seems to be a confession."

Mr. Mathews protested that matters concerning Sir Henry Norris had nothing to do with Mr. Peachey.

Mr. Justice Astbury: I am afraid it has. I don't want to go into these painful matters more than I am obliged, but I am afraid it is directly connected with Mr. Peachey, because the Football Association is asking to remove him because he had been allowing Sir Henry Norris to do this, or had been remiss in not stopping him.

Mr. Mathews: No, because he had been remiss in not finding it out. That is a different thing from any guilty knowledge of it. Mr. Justice Astbury: When the Football Association charges a man with having been remiss in not finding out certain things I must know whether those things were done in circumstances in which he ought to have found out. "Unpleasant Things."

Mr. Archer said his clients did not want to go into unpleasant things and if Mr. Peachey, instead of acting under the influence and direction of Sir Henry Norris would resign.

Mr. Mathews: There is no suggestion from start to finish that he had done anything under the direction of Sir Henry Norris, who has not been supporting the action. Mr. Peachey strongly objects to being hounded out like this.

Mr. Justice Astbury: I see that Sir Henry Norris, being again invited to tell the commission what he knew, said "The payments represent the season's use of my car." Does that mean the whole of the expense of his car?

Mr. Archer: That is what it says. It is all in, I suppose.

Mr. Justice Astbury: It is a nasty-looking business.

Mr. Archer said the recommendations were that Sir Henry Norris should be ordered to pay \$339 received by him, being the wages of his chauffeur from June 1921 to May 1923, together with the sum of \$135 for the season's use of his motor-car—making altogether \$474—and that he should be permanently suspended from taking part in football or football management under the jurisdiction of the F.A.

Sir Henry was no longer chairman of the Arsenal Company, but he was still a shareholder.

The Norris Votes. Mr. Mathews submitted that it was quite clear the shares were allotted not for the purpose of raising money but for the purpose of packing the meeting. Mr. Peachey was prepared to stand his chance of being discharged from office upon the votes of the shareholders as they existed previous to the new issue, but he was unwilling to go to the meeting knowing that the cards were stacked against him in that way.

Mr. Justice Astbury: Are you willing that the meeting should be held on the terms that the Norris votes are not counted?

Mr. Mathews: No.

Mr. Justice Astbury: In other words you are relying on Norris's vote?—I don't think that is quite fair.

I asked you a perfectly fair question—I submit it is not really fair to say I am relying on Sir Henry Norris. I am standing here on my own basis.

Mr. Justice Astbury: Let us come down to a little common sense. Sir Henry Norris has been charged by the association, rightly or wrongly, with misappropriation of the Arsenal Club's money, and it is only natural that he will vote in any way he can against the Football Association in a dispute between that body and the Arsenal Club.

Mr. Mathews said this was a company matter and he was entitled to go before a meeting of shareholders on Thursday as they existed previous to the issue of the new shares.

Mr. Justice Astbury: I was suggesting that the new shares should not be counted and that Sir Henry Norris's shares should not be counted in order to find out what the independent shareholders really do want.

Mr. Mathews contended that that would not be fair as Mr. Peachey was not connected with Sir Henry Norris in the matter.

When Mr. Archer said: "Here is a proxy sent in by Sir Henry Norris," Mr. Mathews said, "I did not know that before."

Mr. Justice Astbury: You are more innocent than I am. I should have thought it was quite obvious.

A Director's Duty. Later Mr. Justice Astbury said: Supposing a football club existed in which every director was remiss in finding out that every other director was misappropriating money. Would not the Football Association be amply justified in exercising their powers under the rules? I don't know how these clubs are to go on, if a perfectly honest body has tried a question and come to the conclusion that one of the directors has been remiss and yet cannot remove him. It is the duty of a director to see that the other directors behave themselves.

Mr. Mathews said that Mr. Peachey was quite prepared to go before Thursday's meeting and take the risk of being dismissed if the other directors would not use their new votes.

Mr. Justice Astbury: Is Mr. Peachey willing, if the necessary majority is not obtained, that the directors should then issue the new shares?

Mr. Mathews: No.

Mr. Justice Astbury: Why doesn't your client accept their offer to retire, they stating that they have nothing against his character? He is making a great fuss and a lot of trouble in this matter. He may get the club into a serious dispute with the Football Association with grave disadvantage to the club and all its members. He is simply pursuing (Continued on next Column.)

CIDER TRADE BOOMING.

DEVON PROSPECTS.

FEWER NEGLECTED ORCHARDS.

A bright outlook for the cider industry was prophesied by Professor Barker, director of the National Cider Research Station, Long Ashton, Somerset.

It depends on the right trees being planted on the right ground and farmers and cider-makers putting their heads together. The demand for cider is increasing in all parts of this country and there are possibilities of a profitable overseas trade.

The cider fruit orchards of Devon in the main have been a byword for decrepitude and neglect, but recently there has been a strong movement to renovate the old and plant new orchards. Last spring the work being done was described in *The Daily Mail*.

Lighter Drinks. Professor Barker gave some interesting reasons for the increasing popularity of cider. It has been taken up and put on the market in a more businesslike way and has enjoyed the valuable aid of publicity.

There has been a change in public taste in recent years, people having turned from the heavier, more alcoholic drinks to drinks of a lighter type.

The effect of the war was important. The war not only created opportunities for many people to get cider, but also the quality of the beer during the war led large numbers of people to look out for another kind of beverage. Also there has been a marked improvement in the quality of the cider reaching the public outside the west of England, and research and experiment have done a great deal to account for this.

this irrespective of the consequences. He has been treated perfectly fairly by the other directors.

Mr. Mathews: He does not want to be turned out in this way.

After further discussion Mr. Justice Astbury said:

I sympathise very much with these directors, because Mr. Peachey and Sir Henry Norris are putting this club into a very serious mess. Mr. Peachey has been given ample opportunity to save his face but he prefers to go on and to wreck the Arsenal if he can.

His lordship indicated that there was a difficulty in the fact that there was authority for saying that directors could not issue new shares simply for the purpose of removing a director.

Mr. Archer pointed out that that was not the only reason for the issue. In the past the club had been working to some extent on an overdraft guaranteed by Sir Henry Norris and Mr. Hall. It was quite true to say the club wanted to issue the shares for the sake of the money.

Money For New Players. Mr. Herbert Chapman, secretary-manager of the club, then gave evidence. He said there were two objects in issuing the shares. One was to increase the funds of the club with a view to obtaining new players and the other was to carry out the instructions of the F.A. He added:

The directors have recently had discussions with a view to acquiring the transfers of certain players. We have been negotiating with other clubs during the last three or four weeks. This is particularly important because we are very disinterested with the future of our playing resources.

We have always worked on an overdraft of over £10,000, and we have occasionally been on the verge of exceeding it. At the present time we have no guaranteed overdraft as Sir Henry Norris and Mr. Hall have withdrawn their guarantee.

Mr. Mathews: What sort of price is given for a player?

Mr. Chapman said that within the last six months they had been negotiating for the transfer of a player at £3,000.

Mr. Mathews then stated that Mr. Archer had made him a certain offer which he had advised Mr. Peachey to accept.

Mr. Archer had generously suggested that if Mr. Peachey resigned here and now they would pay his costs in that action, and another action in that Justice Clouston's list would be stayed and they would pay the costs of that too.

Mr. Archer said that as far as the defendants were concerned he thought they had made it quite clear that they had no ill-will against Mr. Peachey even now. But they thought he had taken very mistaken attitude. They were sorry Mr. Peachey had been led into this, but he had to accept the position and recognise that his voluntary resignation was the only practical course to take.

Mr. Mathews said Mr. Peachey had felt that he was being hounded out. He had no intention of wrecking the club, for he did not believe the F.A. would try to disqualify the club. He would have resigned if necessary.

An order was made accordingly.

200,000 GERMAN ADAMS AND EVES.

A VISIT TO EDEN.

DRAWING ROOM FORMALITIES—WITHOUT CLOTHES.

BERLIN.

Official Germany has given its blessing to the "Friends of Light and Nature" (Licht und Natur Freunde), who are pledged "on suitable occasions and in suitable localities" to preach and practise clotheslessness of the Golden Age.

The association has a membership of some 200,000 men and women, and with the sanction of the German Home Office and the approval of the Ministry of Health, branches have rented waste tracts of lake and riverside land in various localities throughout the Fatherland.

Here they have enclosed special reserves wherein members may discard all clothing and expose their bodies freely to the action of sun and air. The wide heather-covered expanse of the Luneburg Downs and certain lonely stretches of beach and woodland on the Baltic coast have been selected as particularly suitable for the practice of the cult.

Here numerous hostels and shelters have been built for the accommodation of the Friends of Light and their families.

School For Children. On the eastern edge of the downs, at Glusingen, not far from the old Hane town of Luneburg, a special summer school was opened last May, where boys and girls of all ages are educated together according to the tenets of the new "naked culture."

"Without the slightest difficulty," says the prospectus, "our young people have during the term of the school's existence become accustomed to early rising, a plain vegetarian diet, and the wearing of light, bright-coloured clothing with frequent intervals for nude exercises, dancing, and bathing in the open air."

The aims of the movement were explained to me by Dr. Morenhoven, the secretary of the League for Free Physical Culture.

Moral Idealists. "You must not run away with the idea," he said, "that there is anything in the least degree anti-moral about the movement. Far from it. Our members, men and women alike, are idealists, bent on breaking down the unwholesome barrier of distrust that the cant of clothes has set up between the sexes."

"Naturally, we have to take great care to exclude undesirable elements from our ranks. Any one wishing to become a member of the league has first to pay a personal visit to one of our branch secretaries, within whose discretion it then lies whether he or she be admitted to probationary membership."

Branch Reserves. At Dr. Morenhoven's suggestion I visited Kallinchen, a little village about twenty miles from Berlin, which has suddenly been lifted out of its rustic obscurity owing to its convenient proximity to Lake Motzen, whose forest banks have been turned into an artificial Garden of Eden for the use of the Berlin branches of the league.

Each branch has its own reserve. On entering one of these enclosures I found the denizens, men and women alike, wearing no clothing of any description, although it was the end of October, and there was a decided nip in the air. Some were busy digging in the sand, throwing up earthworks, apparently with the object of obtaining protection from the wind. Others were playing with a "medicine ball." Three or four hardy spirits were bathing in the lake.

The meetings of the association are not confined to remote country spots or even to the open air. The great Luna Park indoor swimming baths just off the fashionable Kurfurstendamm, in the west end of Berlin, are reserved on Saturday mornings from 7 to 9 for the use of members of the league.

Beach Of Tiles. I paid a visit to these baths last Saturday, and found in the large pool, famous for its artificially produced waves, which break on a beach of white glazed tiles, some sixty men and women of all ages bathing without costume, except for the officially authorised bathing cap for women. Upstairs on the rooomy balcony an earnest circle was occupied with Swedish drill under the leadership of a sun-bronzed athlete, wearing spectacles.

Various small parties, some quite naked, others wearing bath-wraps, sat at little tables in the restaurant that runs round three sides of the swimming pool, while waiters, dressed as usual, served them with coffee, rolls, and eggs.

It struck me as incongruous that these would-be primitives, who had shed the conventionalities of clothing, should nevertheless cling to the stiff formalities of the Prussian drawing-room. They meticulously used tongs for the sugar, and the Berlin Adams jerked their bare heels together and made their little stiff bow as they chivalrously kissed the hands of arriving and departing Eves.

MR. JUSTICE HILL.

ENGLAND'S BENEVOLENT DIVORCE JUDGE.

CONSIDERATION FOR NERVOUS WITNESSES.

A pink face, kindly, quizzical grey eyes, and a long mouth with mobile corners are the most noticeable features of Mr. Justice Hill, the Divorce Court judge whose frank pronouncements on divorce problems have aroused recent comment.

Half the terrors of nervous litigants must have been wiped away with one glance at that placid pink face. It is so ordinary. It reveals the sort of temperament that would make a complex-jovling psycho-analyst gnash his teeth in baffled rage.

Mr. Justice Hill has no complexes and no mannerisms. His court runs smoothly, for he is not fussy, nor bad-tempered, nor domineering. He seems more concerned with finding just and merciful solutions to marital tangles than with the importance of Justice Hill.

His great asset is perhaps his voice.

Nervous Woman Set At Ease. A woman petitioner who was obviously extremely uncomfortable and frightened took her place in the box. She kept her face averted from the court fidgeted with her hands, and hesitated before giving almost inaudible replies. Counsel told her half a dozen times to speak up, but she was too nervous. Mr. Justice Hill asked her gently, and without any attempt at command to raise her voice. She looked at him gratefully and complied.



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CAMEOS OF LIFE IN PRISON.

LIGHTS AND SHADES OF PENTONVILLE.

ITS GOVERNOR'S MEMORIES.

"Quod"—the slang word for gaol—is the queer title of a remarkable book which has recently been published. It is the story of twenty-four years' experience of prison life—the human diary of a famous prison governor, Major Wallace Blake, who was for seven years in charge of Pentonville. The book, which is full of good stories, is published by Hodder and Stoughton. Its 350 pages are crammed with little cameos of prison life. Major Blake has met at one time or another London's greatest criminals, and in "Quod" he draws aside the curtain and introduces to the world the crooks as he really is in gaol.

Miss Carrie Tubbs.

Many celebrated artists have sung at the "Vile," as Pentonville Prison is called. Every Christmas Day for the last six years Miss Carrie Tubbs has left her fireside to charm away the thoughts of happier Christmases from that sombre audience at Pentonville. They (fairly worship Miss Tubbs at the "Vile," as Major Blake, one appreciative old "lag" once remarked, "It seems as if she took us all right up to 'even for an hour."

A queer character is Tommy Green. He has a record of something like a hundred convictions and an ever-present sense of grievance. As one of the mainstays of the prison system, Tommy considers himself entitled to considerable respect. He objects to being called Tommy, and once when the deputy governor listened to his usual grouse and said, "All right, Green," he snapped out, "Mr. Green, if you please."

Major Blake saw many executions, and his stories of scaffold dramas are probably the most gripping narratives in the book. "Scotty" was the first man Major Blake executed, and he tells with graphic detail the heart-agony he endured on the eve of Scotty's execution.

Robber Murdered.

He was a little pickpocket, race-course tout, and picker-up of unconsidered trifles. He was a humorous little fellow, with a merry face; everybody liked him. He murdered an ex-Pentonvillian known as "Soldier" for robbing him while he was asleep in an East End lodging house.

Scotty told the chaplain that he did not mean to kill "the blighter," but to "larn him not to pinch his money!"

"At midnight," continues Major Blake, "I paid a visit to the prison, and, looking into the condemned cell, saw Scotty sleeping peacefully, which is very much more than I did when I returned to my quarters."

Scotty went to his doom like the "ero," he said he would be "Good-bye all!" he shouted as he stepped on the platform.

"Plucky little chap, wasn't he?" remarked the chaplain afterwards. "Major Blake said he felt a bit of a murderer himself."

"By Jove, so do I," exclaimed the chaplain.—Daily Express.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, December 26th.

Previous (On Day) On Date

Day at 2 p.m. 6 a.m. 1 p.m.

Barometer 30.05 30.00 29.97

Temperature 66 67 70

Humidity 81 94 80

Wind —

Direction E East E

Force 3 2 3

Weather O Overcast O

Rain 0.00 0.00 0.00

Lightest open-air Temperature, 25th: 67

Lowest open-air Temperature, 26th: 66

B—Blue sky; C—Cloudy; D—Drizzle; F—Fog; L—Lightning; M—Mist; O—Overcast; P—Passing showers; Q—Squalls; R—Rain; T—Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From Dec. 27th 1927, to Jan. 2nd, 1928.

HIGH WATER. LOW WATER.

Day of Week Date Month

Hong Kong Standard Time.

Height.

Day of Week Date Month

Hong Kong Standard Time.

Height.

Day of Week Date Month

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Day of Week Date Month

Hong Kong Standard Time.

Height.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION Co's.

STEAMER "DEVANHA."

ARRIVED HONG KONG 24th DECEMBER, 1927.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Mondays and Thursdays, within the Free Storage period.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before 15th January, 1928, or they will not be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

MAACKINSON, MACKENZIE & Co., Agents.

Hong Kong, 24th Dec., 1927. [5697]

"GLEN" LINE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM UNITED KINGDOM VIA PORTS.

THE Motor Vessel "QUEENLOUGH"

having arrived from the above Ports Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves, Delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 30th December, 1927, at Noon, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined in the presence of Consignees by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, on 24th December, 1927, at 10 a.m. Claims against the Steamer including those for Cargo short delivered must be presented on the Special Form provided, and must also be submitted within 30 days of arrival otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hong Kong, 23rd Dec., 1927. [5692]

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEE NOTICE.

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Hong Kong, 21st Dec., 1927. [5682]

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WEIHAIWEI, OHNGFOO & TIENSIN	"HUIKOW"	On 31st Dec.	7 a.m.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANKING"	On 1st Jan.	7 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KALGAN"	On 1st Jan.	10 a.m.
HUIHOW, PAKELOI & RAIPHONG	"TEAN"	On 1st Jan.	Noon
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & DALNY	"LIANGHONG"	On 2nd Jan.	8 a.m.
AMOY, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SINKIANG"	On 2nd Jan.	5 p.m.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KWITANG"	On 3rd Jan.	6 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"OHUSAN"	On 3rd Jan.	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SZECHUEN"	On 7th Jan.	8 a.m.
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SWATOW, SHANGHAI & DALNY	"YINGHONG"	On 8th Jan.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGCHOW"	On 8th Jan.	10 a.m.
AMOY, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SUNNING"	On 9th Jan.	5 p.m.
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Arrivals and Departures, etc.

ARRIVALS.

December 23rd.

Daviken, Norwegian str., 1,777 tons, Capt. Gustav Svane, from Singapore and Hoibow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C15—Kin Cheong Lee.
Formosa, Swedish motor ship, 4,329 tons, Capt. H. W. Borin, from Vladivostok and Shanghai, latter port she on December 20th, with general cargo and beans, lying at buoy No. A10—Gliman & Co.
Hupei, British str., 1,363 tons, Capt. T. Miley, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters—B. & S.
Pawlet, American str., 3,790 tons, Capt. A. Peterson, from Los Angeles and Manila. The latter port she left on December 30th, with lumber and general cargo, lying at buoy No. A27—Swayne & Hoyt Inc.
Sunlong, Chinese str., 323 tons, Capt. Lai Kwong, from Kwong Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C41—Man Yick S.S. Co.

December 24th.

City of Lahore, British str., 4,482 tons, Capt. E. G. Hoppins, from Keelung, which port she left on December 22nd, lying at buoy No. A3—Bank Line.
Deli Maru, Japanese str., 1,292 tons, Capt. K. Yageta, from Swatow, with merchandise lying at O.S.K. Wharf—O.S.K.
Deranah, British str., 8,091 tons, from Singapore, which port she left on December 18th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Mackinnon, MacKenzie & Co.
Grace Dollar, American str., 4,712 tons, Capt. M. O. Didakson, from Manila and Saigon, with kerosene, gasoline and general cargo, lying at Stonecutters—Dollar S.S. Line.
Hasei Maru, Japanese str., 1,851 tons, Capt. M. Yamaguchi, from Karatsu, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B54—M.S.K.
Huichow, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. R. Ashby, from Weihaiwei, which port she left on December 19th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C34—B. & S.
Kum Sang, British str., 5,447 tons, Capt. T. Meyrick, from Calcutta and Singapore. The latter port she left on December 18th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Jardine's.
Luchow, British str., 1,221 tons, Capt. F. Porter, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C14—B. & S.
Matsumoto Maru, Japanese str., 7,061 tons, Capt. T. Morel, from Amoy, which port she left on November 8th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.
Mau Sang, British str., 2,063 tons, Capt. G. F. Matthews, from Sandakan, which port she left on December 18th, with timber and general cargo, lying at Yau-mat—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Raymond Poincare, French str., 1,197 tons, Capt. Loree, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C43—Yik Cheong S.S. Co.
Rollon, Norwegian str., 774 tons, Capt. C. H. Stensholt, from Canton, lying at Stonecutters—Karsten, Larsen & Co.
Shantung, British str., 1,368 tons, Capt. W. T. Dodge, from Tsingtau and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B12—B. & S.
Soochow, British str., 1,564 tons, Capt. L. Jenkins, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B9—B. & S.

Yatsing, British str., 1,434 tons, Capt. J. M. Meikle, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B32—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

December 25th.

Henriette, British str., 3,108 tons, Capt. W. F. Riddle, from Leish, London, Straits and Manila, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Gibb, Livingstone & Co.
Pingai, Norwegian str., 1,243 tons, Capt. N. Bull Melson, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. C53—Thoresen & Co.
Genoa Maru, Japanese str., 4,894 tons, Capt. R. Kamakawa, from Shanghai, which port she left on December 22nd, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.
Gemina, Dutch str., 5,337 tons, Capt. P. Bronner, from Kobe and Shanghai. The latter port she left on December 22nd, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A6—J.C.I.L.

Hai Hong, British str., 1,370 tons, Capt. E. Walker, from Fochow, Amoy and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Douglas Wharf—Douglas S.S. Co.
Orja, Norwegian str., 1,101 tons, Capt. T. Kovvime, from Bangkok and Kohsiang, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C19—Kwang Nguan Seng.

Patroclus, British str., 8,910 tons, Capt. Geo. T. Clark, from Shanghai, which port she left on December 23rd, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A1—B. & S.
Pelevs, British str., 4,900 tons, Capt. J. P. Jones, from Shanghai, which port she left on December 22nd, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A5—B. & S.

President McKinley, American str., 8,400 tons, Capt. W. O. Kohlmeister, from Seattle, which port she left on December 5th, with 4,000 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—American Mail Line.

Takaoka Maru, Japanese str., 4,327 tons, Capt. Y. Watanabe, from Ito, which port she left on December 22nd, with a cargo of hemp, lying at buoy No. A10—N.Y.K.
Tak Hing, Chinese str., 105 tons, Capt. La Sau, from Autau, with a general cargo, lying at Luen Cheong Wharf—Fook Hoi Co.
Tara Maru, Japanese str., Capt. T. Suzuki, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. H51—M.S.K.
Yanoo, Chinese str., 884 tons, Capt. Li Ping, from Kwong Chow Wan and Macao, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C40—Yan Woo S.S. Co.

December 28th.

Kathe, German str., 906 tons, Capt. H. Frauden, from Haiphong, with coal and rice, lying at buoy No. C43—Kwang Mok Tai.
New Mathilde, British str., 842 tons, Capt. E. G. Rapley, from Haiphong and Hoibow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C41—Yik Tai S.S. Co.
President Taft, American str., 8,415 tons, Capt. R. K. Ahlin, from Manila, which port she left on December 24th, with 80 tons of general cargo and 800 tons in transit, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Dollar S.S. Line.
Rangoon Maru, Japanese str., 3,637 tons, Capt. H. Aizawa, from Singapore, which port she left on December 28th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.

(Continued on next Column.)

CLEARANCES.

December 24th.

Anhui, for Amoy.
Chenan, for Canton.
Corona, for Chinwangtao.
Daviken, for Swatow.
Deli Maru, for Canton.
Deranah, for Shanghai.
Formosa, for Singapore.
Hupei, for Hoibow.
Kaijo Maru, for Swatow.
Kaiten Maru, for Macao.
Kaying, for Swatow.
Luchow, for Pakhoi.
Ling Nam, for Singapore.
Matsumoto Maru, for Shanghai.
Pawlet, for San Francisco.
Prominent, for Saigon.
Shantung, for Canton.
Raymond Poincare, for Hoibow.
Soochow, for Shanghai.
Sungshan Maru, for Canton.
Sunlong, for Kwong Chow Wan.
Sun Sai Kai, for Wong Chow Wan.

December 25th.

Gemma, for Manila.
Shiu Hing, for Macao.
Benrinnes, for Mito.
City of Lahore, for Manila.
Grace Dollar, for Amoy.
Devawongse, for Hoibow.
Genoa Maru, for Singapore.
Luchow, for Shanghai.
Patroclus, for Singapore.
Pelevs, for Singapore.
President McKinley, for Manila.
President Taft, for Shanghai.
Rangoon Maru, for Shanghai.
Takaoka Maru, for Shanghai.
Tak Hing, for Macao.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

FOR DECEMBER, 1927.

STANDARD TIME OF THE 120th MERIDIAN, EAST OF GREENWICH.

Date.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
December 27th...	7.01 a.m.	5.47 p.m.
" 28th...	7.01 "	5.47 "
" 29th...	7.02 "	5.48 "
" 30th...	7.03 "	5.48 "
" 31st...	7.03 "	5.49 "

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Teijun Maru, Japanese str., 1,284 tons, Capt. M. Yamachi, from Dairen, which port she left on December 19th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C18—M.B.K.

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To	STEAMSHIP	DATE
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	"FOOSHING"	Sun., 1st Jan., at 7 a.m.
	"KWONGSANG"	Wed., 4th Jan., at 7 a.m.
	"CHAKSANG"	Sun., 8th Jan., at 7 a.m.
TIENSIN	"CHIPSING"	Fri., 30th Dec., at 5 p.m.
	"CHEONGSHING"	Fri., 30th Dec., at 5 p.m.
KOBE via AMOY, MOJI & YOKOHAMA	"KUMSANG"	Wed., 28th Dec., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOY, SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	"NAMSANG"	Sun., 8th Jan., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOY, MOJI & KOBE	"KUTSANG"	Wed., 10th Jan., at 7 a.m.
CANTON	"FOOSHING"	Wed., 28th Dec., at 8 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"FOOKSANG"	Sun., 1st Jan., at 3 p.m.
	"HOSANG"	Wed., 11th Jan., at 3 p.m.
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	"MAUSANG"	Wed., 4th Jan., at 3 p.m.

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Steamship "GLEN SANDA" (via Oran)	7th March, "

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Motor Vessel "GLENAMOEY" (via Oran)	3rd February, "
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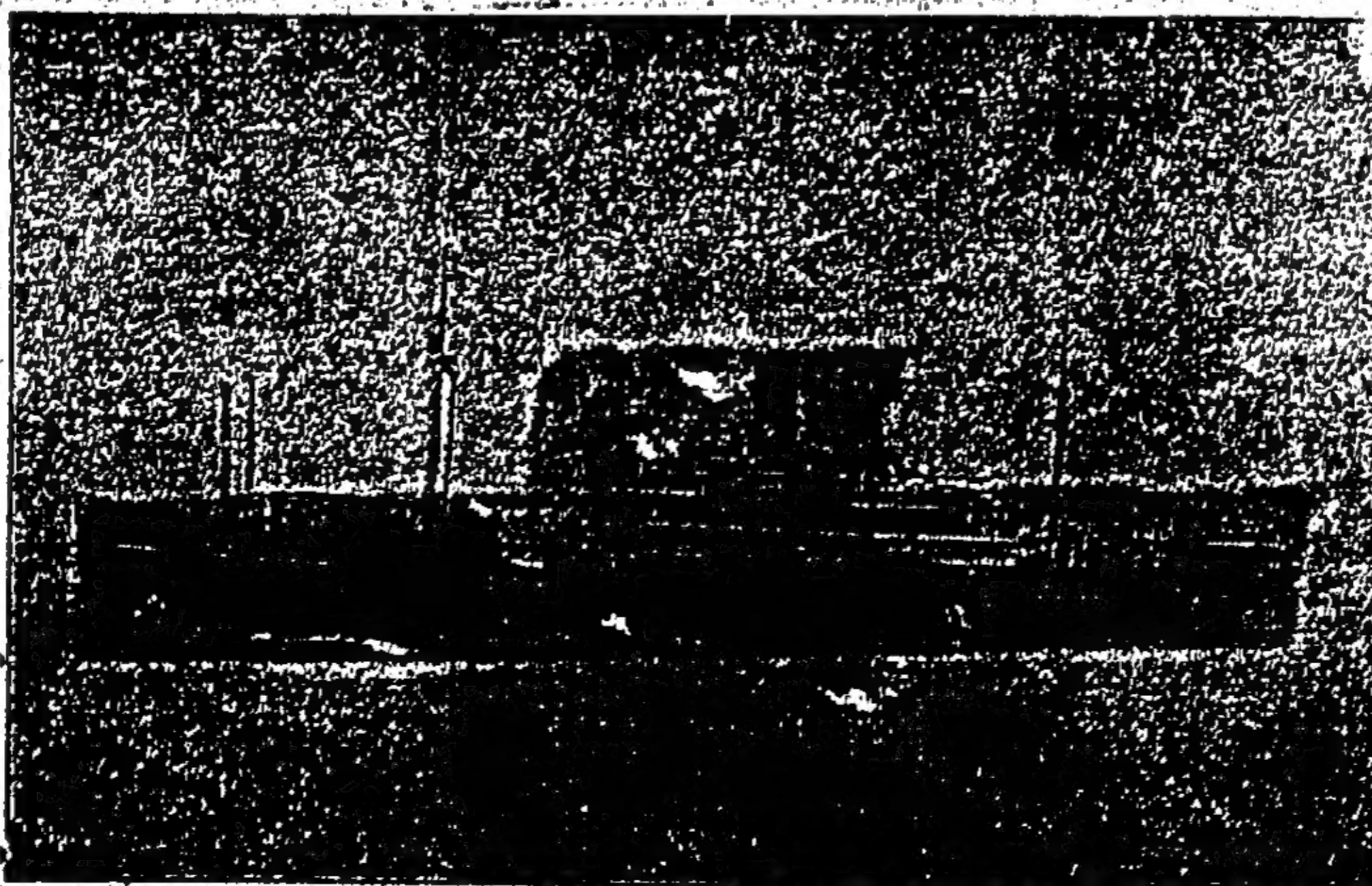
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From	Per	Due
JAPAN...	St. Albans	27th Dec.
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CANADA, U.S.A., JAPAN & SHANGHAI...	Express of Asia	29th Dec.
SUEZ & STRAITS...	Pureyas	30th Dec.
JAPAN & SHANGHAI...	Hokkaido Maru	30th Dec.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI...	Fre. Harrison	31st Dec.
EUROPE via NEOPATAM (letters only)	Della	31st Dec.
London, 1st Dec.		
AUSTRALIA & MANILA...	Arifura	2nd Jan.
JAPAN & SHANGHAI...	Morea	8th Jan.
U.S.A., HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI...	Taiyo Maru	8th Jan.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Mar., 25th Jan., 1928	Patroclus	Tuesday, 27th. Kowloon P.O. 8.00 A.M. Letters 8.00 A.M. G.P.O. 8.15 A.M. Reg. 8.30 A.M. Parcels 10.00 A.M. Reg. 11.15 A.M. Letters Noon
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 16th Jan., 1928 & Europe via Siberia	Pres. Taft	Wednesday, 28th. Kowloon P.O. 10.30 A.M. Reg. 8.30 A.M. Letters 8.30 A.M. G.P.O. 8.00 P.M. Letters 8.00 P.M.
Shanghai & Japan...	Kamo Maru	Wednesday, 28th. Kowloon P.O. 10.30 A.M. Reg. 8.30 A.M. Letters 8.30 A.M. G.P.O. 8.00 P.M. Letters 8.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Kuo Hsing	Wednesday, 28th. Kowloon P.O. 10.30 A.M. Reg. 8.30 A.M. Letters 8.30 A.M. G.P.O. 8.00 P.M. Letters 8.00 P.M.
Amoy...	Kuo Hsing	Wednesday, 28th. Kowloon P.O. 10.30 A.M. Reg. 8.30 A.M. Letters 8.30 A.M. G.P.O. 8.00 P.M. Letters 8.00 P.M.
Koehow...	Devanagiri	Thursday, 29th. Kowloon P.O. 1.30 P.M. Letters 1.30 P.M.
Manila...	St. Albans	Friday, 30th. Kowloon P.O. 1.30 P.M. Letters 1.30 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Friday, 30th. Kowloon P.O. 1.30 P.M. Letters 1.30 P.M.
Bangkok...	Chin Kuan	Friday, 30th. Kowloon P.O. 1.30 P.M. Letters 1.30 P.M.
Manila...	Empress of Asia	Friday, 30th. Kowloon P.O. 1.30 P.M. Letters 1.30 P.M.
Wanchai, Sheungwan, Sanyingpan, Yau-mai and Shamshuipo Branch Post Offices	Hutchinson	Friday, 30th. Kowloon P.O. 1.30 P.M. Letters 1.30 P.M.
Shanghai & EUROPE via Siberia...	Suiyang	Friday, 30th. Kowloon P.O. 1.30 P.M. Letters 1.30 P.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 29th Jan., 1928	Hokkaido Maru	Saturday, 31st. Kowloon P.O. 1.30 P.M. Letters 1.30 P.M.
Straits and Calcutta...	Patroclus	Saturday, 31st. Kowloon P.O. 1.30 P.M. Letters 1.30 P.M.
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 3rd February, 1928	Andre Lebon	Sunday, 1st. Kowloon P.O. 1.30 P.M. Letters 1.30 P.M.

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Hong Kong, 28th February, 1927. [32]

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